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THE LADY BELLE.

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With queenly air and scornful face
Walketh the Lady Belle;
The autumn winds through the woods are sighing,
The autumn leaves in crowds are lying,
Frowneth the sky over hall and hill,
And all seems weird and drear and chill;
With steadfast air and impassive face,
Why walketh the Lady Belle?

In the castle behind, her father sits
Alone in the dark'ning gloom;
Ancestral portraits around him hung,
Strange lights and stranger shadows were flung
Athwart brave knights and ladies fair,
Tapestry, armor and jewels rare,
But the grim old earl heedeth none of this,
For his head and his heart were sore amiss;
What alileth the grim old earl?

Now, Solomon tells us in manner wise,
That naught can be new that's under the skies,
And so the father's trouble just now,
Which embittered his life and blackened his brow,
Was, that his only child, the Lady Belle,
Had commenced, in the usual way, to rebel
Against orders parental and that sort of thing,
In the old man's breast thus inflicting a sting
Which certainly was rather hard to bear;
It amounted to this—that the Lady Bell
Had chosen to love a man that he could'nt,
And the man that he would, well, in fact, she would'nt.

The old earl had looked out for his daughter's fate,
Or affinity—a youth, rich, noble, sedate,
Of habits orderly, regular pious;
But this youth was as cross, as ugly and dry as,
Well, whatever you like; and the Lady Belle,
Sad to relate and strange to tell,
Though very esthetic and spiritual,
Had no special fancy for youths of that kind,
And was to his merits excessively blind,
On another had lavished her whole heart's dower,
With its gilded crust of titles and power.

Stood the lovers among the sere
Branches of the declining year;
Small need for words; love's glad surprise
Looked forth from Belle's confiding eyes,
A true man's arm encircled her now,
And loyal lips kissed her cheek and brow,
The autumn breeze breathed a balmier sigh,
And the day seemed in gentler peace to die.

What vows were vowed, what words were said,
Ask not the living, but the dead;
A sound of rustling feet, a flash—
The hiss of the murderous lead, the crash
Of two falling forms who were smitten, the prey
Of a rival's deadly aim, and who lay
In one long, last, world-quitting embrace,
Heart to heart, and face to face.

The murderer slunk through the evening air,
With stealthy step, and forehead bare,
He, the lover, rich, pious, sedate,
Had been the youth and maiden's fate.

The night advanced, the old earl rose
From a stillness very far from repose,
Entered a room where soft lights made
A lustre that seemed betwixt sunshine and shade:—
"Supper awaits my lady and lord;"
He sat him down without a word;
Pale, and mute as a statue of stone,
He sat there wondering and alone.
"Go, summon my daughter," at length he said,
His daughter! silent, still, and dead!

What means that strange cry of the baying hound?
Why do thronging feet the castle surround?
Why takes the night a deeper gloom?
What mystic terror pervades the room?

The servants a hurried council hold;
By whom shall the terrible truth be told?
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The trusty old butler ascended the stair,
And stole softly behind the old earl's chair;
A nameless terror filled his face,
While tears fell from his eyes apace:—
"My Lord, your daughter is—is—"
"Man, tell me quick."
Once more he tried, "Your daughter is sick."
A sudden alarm smote the earl, as he said,
"Villain, you lie! my daughter is dead!"

Too stern for a sigh, too cold for a tear,
That old man stood by his daughter's bier.
Pride conquered grief; the morrow alone
On the old castle's battlement—walls of stone.
Wifeless and childless, the old man bore
His head erect as in days of yore,
But at his heart there festered a grief,
Which knows neither respite nor relief.
Through pride he lost that daughter good,
Who loved her lover as maidens should.

Her lover—though poor—of lineage high,
Unallied, severe, as his native sky,
Of culture varied, of manners mild,
The soul of a man with the heart of a child,
With brow undaunted to face a world
Which on poverty ever its shafts has hurled,
True to his country, his God, and his love,
One with her now in bliss above.
And he, the foul one, on foreign strand
Died by a midnight assassin's hand,
Lies without grave, or mound, or stone,
Unwept, uncrowned and unknown.

CONGO, THE CONJURER.

A STORY OF SHOW LIFE.

CHAPTER XL.
THEATRE ROYAL, BELGRAVIA.

It is a gala night, for it is the first appearance of a new star from Italy. She is said to be English, but to have passed some time in the favored land of the south, where even the climate appears to conduce to a good condition of voice. The house is crowded, for the piece is one by an author of repute, and the star is, though spoken of as a great singer, also said to be an actress of merit. A party of gentlemen in the omnibus box are in conversation. One of them is *Sir* Charles Everton. He is in deep mourning. The villainous Josse had given him a solemn statement of his stepson's death, and he has stepped into the estates and the baronetcy. Moreover, his wife, the unhappy and unfortunate mother of Arthur, had been dead about a year. But Sir Charles, with his position in society, with his wealth and prospects, is already launched in the most fashionable circles. His name is mentioned in connection with more than one heiress, but rumor has not finally fixed upon the actual lady.

"A splendid house," he says to Lord Winsor, a ponderous peer, who, by virtue of acres, is a leader of fashion and a *virtuoso*.

"Splendid—finest of the season; quite a matrimonial exhibition—good as the barmaids' one!" laughingly remarks my lord.

"Has any one seen this peerless Helena di Napoli?" asks the baronet.

No one has seen her. The rehearsals have been strictly private and no intruder has been allowed behind the scenes. This has, of course, whetted public curiosity and is looked upon as very clever. The overture begins, but the conversation, of course, does not cease. At length, however, the curtain rises and people settle down to listen. It is a drama, with singing and *ballet* of action. Even the commencement is well received and rouses interest and curiosity. Suddenly, with a burst of melody that thrills to the very heart, the heroine enters, and, after caroiling for a few minutes like a bird, turns to the audience and speaks. A passionate scene then follows, and then, when the actress is once more alone, a rich and lovely voice is heard in a ballad of great sweetness and beauty. The whole audience applauded in such a spontaneous and hearty way, as to signify their deep satisfaction, and the complete success of the actress and singer. One person, however, is silent and holds back.

It is Sir Charles Everton. He, at least, has recognized Helena di Napoli, and his face is stern and white. It is the face of an enemy. How much more is his burning indignation aroused, not unmixed with apprehension, when, in two of the actors, a man and a woman, he discovers two more implacable foes! He is bewildered and astonished, but from long practice is enabled to compose his mien and avoid the observation of his fellows. He continues, moreover, to discuss the merits of the *debutante* as coolly as if he had not been overwhelmed with surprise and devoured by curiosity. Then, in common with several others at the end of the act, he went behind the scenes, the manager being no longer able to keep up the exclusion. They went into the green room. The successful *debutante* was there, leaning against a pillar and receiving the congratulations both of friends and strangers. Sir Charles Everton approached, and being well-known to the manager, was presented. The *debutante* was polite, amiable in her manner, but her words were more cutting than a razor.

"Sir Charles Everton! then who is Sir Arthur, whom I have met in my travels?"

The baronet turned deadly pale, but, recovering himself after a moment, spoke in cold, calm tones:—

"I had a step-son of that name," he said; "but he ran away to America and was drowned on his voyage out."

"Indeed!" replied the singer. "I am sorry to hear it; but I think it cannot be the same person. I have seen Sir Arthur Everton recently!"

"Pardon me, lady; but if you will allow me to call upon you privately, you may be able to give me information. I do not wish to discuss my private affairs in public," he added in a lower tone; "and rely upon it, the person you have seen is an impostor. At the same time, far be it from me to keep any man from his inheritance."

And, bowing, he moved off to let some one else come up. But he was very pale. What could it mean? She had seen Sir Arthur Everton lately—she, who ought to know him—and she had received assurance of his death nearly two years ago. Had the villainous Josse deceived him and taken his money for nothing? It was a terrible reflection, and he could not live under the doubt for one moment. Hurrying from the theatre, he entered a costumer's shop and purchased an old French cloak, when, having thrown it over his other costume, he turned to a cab stand. He drove at once to the old receiver's shop. It was open, as usual. The same candle appeared to burn on the counter, while, at the other end, in a kind of counting house, sat—not Josse—

But the Patterer and Pharaoh!

Sir Charles looked at them with amazement, not exactly liking the *rencontre*.

"What can we do for you?" said the Patterer, in a respectful tone.

"I wish to see Mr. Josse."

sneering tone, "retired from business more than a year ago, and was shot in a scrimmage in New York."

"And you took his business?" said the baronet. "Did you know any of his secrets?"

"Many, and of yours, too, Sir Charles," continued the other.

The baronet lowered his cloak.

"You have not forgotten me, I observe. Can you tell me why Josse retired, and went away to New York?"

"Because your precious nevvy gave him the slip, and he was afraid would burst up his private affairs," said the Patterer. "I took the business of him. Mr. Pharaoh here, who is not as strong as he was, helps me a little in the way of business."

"The boy escaped! Scoundrels and villains, is it for this I have paid you?"

"Stash it, Sir Charles! We kept our part of the bargain, and if Josse let him escape it is no fault of ours. He got shot by the chap as runned away with your nevvy, isn't it?"

"But the boy—have you seen him since? Do you know anything of him?"

"Nothing."

"Then I will defy any one who dares to assume his name. He cannot prove his claim. You believe he went to America?"

"We know it. But he may have come back," replied the Patterer.

"Well, give me some brandy. Josse had some of the best I ever tasted. There's a five pound note for your trouble."

The brandy was forthcoming and partially consumed, after which the baronet took his leave, after leaving his address, in case they had any information to give. As soon as his back was turned, the two men rubbed their hands. They were partners in many acts of roguery, but had not made their fortune. They were not trusted like Josse, and were, perhaps, not such clever fellows.

"I know what'll be my game," said the Patterer. "I shall look up the young 'un now and see how he will pay."

The Gipsy glanced at him with a strange and peculiar expression of countenance.

"May the oldest oak in the forest fall and kill me if ever I forgive the young house dweller! What am I now? An outcast from my home—a cripple! No—no; revenge is sweet!"

"But money is sweeter far!" replied the Patterer, rubbing his hands and pushing the brandy bottle over to his companion.

CAAPTER XLI.
THE DEBUTANTE AT HOME.

Meanwhile, Sir Charles Everton, pale with fury, and all his fears of the future aroused to a pitch of desperation, strode away. He left the coast in the cab, and then re-entering the theatre, strolled about until the first piece was finished. He then found his carriage, and drove to the residence of the actress. She received all who were introduced, and a very splendid assemblage it was of rank and fashion. Sir Charles was, of course, received, as were the others; but, instead of paying any particular attention to the *debutante*, he moved about the rooms, glancing, as if by accident, at all the guests who were assembled. He was looking for his step-son. But though his glance was keen and searching, he failed to see him. To his great annoyance, however, he came face to face with Congo the Conjurer. The ex-showman looked at him fixedly.

"I am surprised," he said, coldly, "to see you here, Mr. Charles Everton."

"I am here, *sir*, by the permission of the Signora Helena, and I would have you recollect that I am a gentleman and a baronet."

"If you are here by the signora's invitation, I have no more to say; but I beg to insist that you are not the baronet, and that you will be called to very severe account when Arthur comes of age—which will be very shortly."

"Produce him now."

"I cannot, if I would; but that he is alive be assured. I have no more to say."

And the ex-showman passed on, leaving the other in a state of fury, which was not much modified when his wife approached.

"What," he hissed in her ear, after a formal greeting, "is this absurd conspiracy about my step-son? The boy is dead—a good riddance of a vagabond! and, should you rake up an impostor from among your worthy associates, beware of the law! Recollect, the charge of murder against your husband has never been withdrawn—the charge still hangs over his head."

"Charles Everton, the scourge of my girlhood—the curse of my woman's life—who drove me into exile and poverty—how dare you talk thus to me? *You know better!*"

"A certain Ellen Mortimer was last seen in company with your husband. She was believed to be murdered, and a reward was offered for his apprehension. From this he escaped—"

"Man, you know who murdered, as he thought, poor Ellen Mortimer, because she preferred a good and honorable man to a coward and a traitor!" she answered, and moved away.

"They shall not drive me off," he muttered to himself. "No; I will not, cannot be defeated. Besides, the girl is splendid: and who knows, if she be what I think her, an alliance there would settle the whole matter."

And his wife, a victim of cruelty and sorrow, had not been twelve months in the grave when he thought this. He strolled away to the grand drawing-room, in time to see Signora Helena led to the piano by my Lord Winsor. She was about to sing. And divinely she did warble for their gratification; but, after one song, she expressed her inability to oblige any more, and the supper-room was thrown open. Sir Charles Everton contrived to take her in, being very graciously received. Soon conversation became general, and they were able to speak.

"You were saying, Signora, that you knew a young gentleman who assumes to bear the name of Arthur Everton?" he began.

"I have for years known a gentleman who is certainly Arthur Everton, baronet, of Everton Hall, and who, I always understood, was your step-son. I have not seen him very lately"—this was said with a very peculiar glance—"but I may say I know of his existence."

"Lady, should any real claimant come, one who arises, as it were, from the dead, I should be the first to welcome him. But there, re-appearences of lost heirs are all very well in plays and novels; but sober jurymen scarcely believe much in them."

"But when did you see my young friend last?" said Helena with an enchanting smile. "Theodore, some champagne?"

This was said to a tall, handsome, and rather sunburnt young man of about nineteen, in private clothes, who, with a most respectful bow, poured out the wine. His hand was steady as he officiated for Helena, but shook nervously as he attempted to do the same for the baronet. That gentleman looked up with a haughty stare, almost to feel his teeth chatter. That strange likeness! Stouter, taller, more manly, with incipient mustache and beard, he saw what he firmly believed to be his dead step-son. But he looked utterly indifferent, only intent on his mistress's orders, after which he passed round, serving all the guests.

"Rather an awkward henchman," said the baronet, just to speak.

"He has not been used to service; but he is a very faithful fellow."

The baronet could not answer; and when he rose from supper was too bewildered to indulge much in the pleasures of society. He went home, a canker-worm, the stern sting of conscience, gnawing at his heart. What did it all mean? That his step-son was dead—had died a cruel and lingering death, he had long been assured, and now these three people joined together to re-produce him. He did not believe the attendant at supper to be his son; but he was thoroughly convinced that they would bring him forward. It was a difficult case. He must, however, defend it to the last, though he believed that he had much better make friends with Helena, and make her his wife. Would she accept him?

CHAPTER XLII.
IS HE THE MAN?

The lawyers of the Everton family were people of mark and note—men whose discretion was unimpeachable, whose honesty was beyond doubt. Their names rated high in legal circles, and any doubt cast upon them would have been resented as an insult to the higher classes of the profession. Their names were Rowcroft and Rickson. One morning, about eleven o'clock, their offices being in full activity, the clerks all at their desks, and numerous clients waiting in the lobby-like room, there entered a young gentleman of about eighteen or nineteen years of age, whose handsome figure, tall and erect mien, as well as sunburnt countenance, at once attracted the notice of the clerks. His dress was half naval, but scrupulously neat and elegant.

"What can I do for you, sir?" said a bland and important individual of about forty.

"Send ..i my card," replied the other, in a slightly offhand way.

And he handed one to the clerk That person made a step backwards, as if utterly overcome with astonishment and surprise. He then glanced keenly and scrutinizingly at the young man, who was by no means so polite and attentive as a rule, tapped gently at the door of the room occupied by the partners of the firm. He was told to come in. The two gentlemen were standing before the fire, while another sat at some distance in an arm-chair. The head-clerk had, it was quite certain, interrupted an animated discussion; for the partners, who treated their talented head-clerk with great respect, stared and looked annoyed, while the client stared in a most haughty and dignified manner.

"Pardon my intrusion," said Benton, blandly, "but I have an important and private message to deliver to you, Mr. Rowcroft."

That gentlemen noticed something significant in the other's manner, and stepped with him to the door. Benton put the card in his hand without a word.

"Good gracious me!" cried the other; "most wonderful! Show him into your private-room, and don't say a word who is here."

Mr. Benton retired; and the lawyer, who had reflected for a moment, returned to the hearth-rug.

"Most remarkable coincidence," he said, twisting the card in his fingers; "but I have a card bearing the name of "*Sir Arthur Everton, Bart*," on it, just sent in."

The other leaped to his feet, and as quickly sat down again.

"The impostor is active," said Charles Everton, with a sneer; "he loses no time."

"At all events, I should like to hear what he has to say," put in Rowcroft, his partner assenting by a nod.

"Well, gentlemen, I can have no possible objection. My step-son, after mixing himself up with a parcel of mountebanks, mummers and showmen, started for America with a sailor accused of murder. He was, I am credibly informed, killed in a low drinking-saloon in New York; and now, two years afterwards, a fellow turns up claiming to be Sir Arthur."

"It is, I must say, extremely strange, but we are bound to hear his statement, observed Rowcroft.

"Certainly; but not to act as his solicitors," replied the other.

"Of that we are the best judges. We are acting for you, Sir Charles, as the next heir in default of Arthur; but it would be our duty to—"

"Throw me overboard if he really turned up," said the baronet, laughing—"quite so. If you like to see the impostor, I can retire into the next room."

The partners exchanged glances, and then acquiesced. Charles Everton was shown into the inner sanctum of one of the lawyers and Benton summoned. One whisper passed between the solicitors, and Rickson seated himself at a desk, with paper, pen and ink; and the other, with his coat-tails lifted up over his hands, stood beside the fire. As Benton ushered in the youthful claimant, Rowcroft pointed to a seat. The young sailor's face turned crimson.

"This is not exactly the reception I expected from my father's solicitors," he said, haughtily.

"As we have every reason to believe, as did the late LadyEverton, that Sir Arthur died two years ago, you must allow us to express our surprise at what appears a resurrection," replied Rowcroft. Written proofs of Sir Arthur Everton's death in a street brawl in New York are in our possession."

"Forged by that wicked murderer, Charles Everton, who has my mother's death upon his soul!" cried the other, hotly.

"Softly, young gentleman. Such language as this cannot serve your cause. The death of Sir Arthur has been proved by documentary evidence. It has the signature and stamp of the Consulate in New York. Sir Charles, as next heir, has taken possession. Unless your case is clear and your evidence overwhelming, it will be madness to contest a claim—you will excuse me for mildly observing—resting on a shadow."

"Gentlemen," said the young gentleman, rising, "I see you are prejudiced against me, and have been made the victims of a villain's arts. I must seek other and less incredulous friends."

The lawyers raised their hands depreciatingly.

"My good sir," cried Rowcroft, "you have told us nothing. If you are the person you represent yourself to be, you must be able to explain all that has happened, since Master Arthur ran away from home with—"

Here he paused, at a sign from his partner.

"Will you hear my story?"

"It is our duty," said Rowcroft, softly.

The young gentleman reseated himself, and at once commenced a narrative of all that is known to the reader up to the death of Josse.

"When that event occured, and the unfortunate homicide had left me, I returned to my occupation. I had not money enough to come to England; and knowing the ferocious and vindictive character of my step-father, I determined to remain in New York for awhile. As the death of Josse relieved me from a fearful oath, I wrote to my friends at an address agreed on, and while awaiting an answer, strove hard to save money. I became, to a certain, extent rich. My employer had a daughter who was idolized by him, and, under very extraordinary and romantic circumstances, I saved her life. He at once made me a partner in his business—that is, presented me with a third of it. Shortly after, he died, and, the business being distasteful both to myself and his daughter, it was sold, and, with my share I departed for Europe. I was determined to travel until I came of age. On my arrival in England I could obtain no clue to my friends and went to Italy. There I met with them, and returned to my own country in their company."

"The witnesses," said Mr. Rickson, reading from the paper before him, on which he had been taking notes, "you propose to call, in order to prove your identity, are a showman, his wife and daughter, a giant named Atlas, a clown and a gipsy girl."

"Since my mother is dead, I have no others, if you repudiate me, gentlemen," retorted the youth.

"But where are your documents—your papers? During your residence in America you received no letters from England," asked the lawyer.

"None—not one," replied the young man.

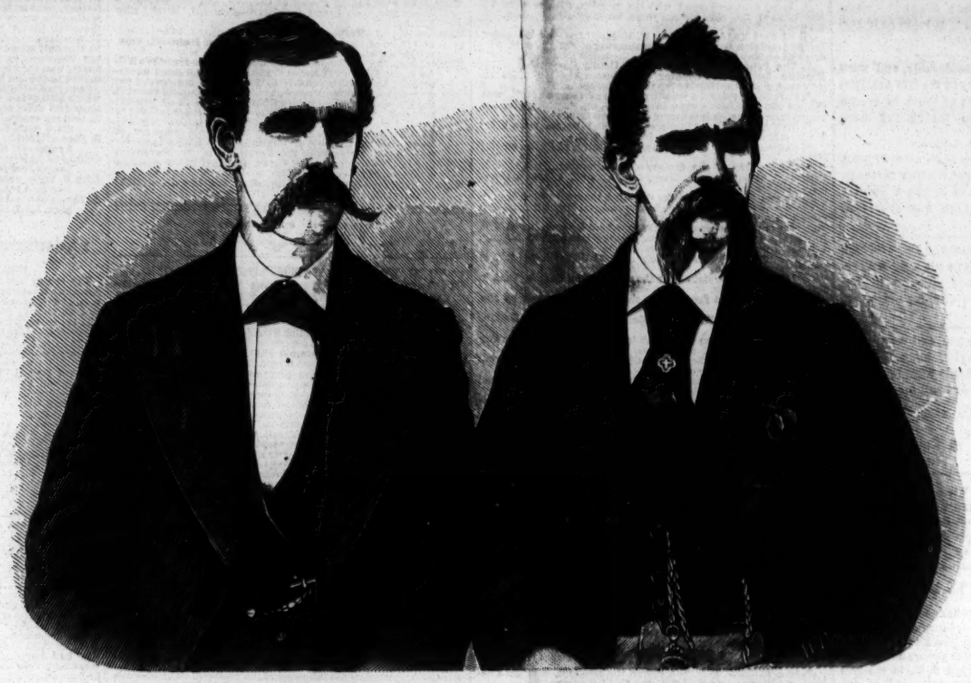
"Well, sir, you can leave your address," was the answer. At present we cannot see our way clear in the matter. We shall confer with our client, and hear his instructions and wi-hes. If, at an interview, you can convince him, well and good."

"As well ask the tiger to give up the lamb it is tearing to pieces; as well ask the miser to yield up his ill-gotten gold; as well ask for any cruel impossibility, as to ask justice of that man. Gentlemen, I am sorry, but I must go elsewhere," and, with these words, haughtily spoken, the youth went out.

Not a word did the lawyers speak, but one of them opened the door for Charles Everton, who came out, looking heated and flushed.

"Did you gather anything of what the young gentleman said?" asked Mr. Rowcroft.

"He spoke fiercely and angrily enough; but I did not catch all. Enough that I declare him to be an impudent impostor. His voice is enough. Besides, the agent in New York was positive that it was Charles Everton, British subject, who was killed, and who was buried by



J. H. SARGENT,
Magician and Manager.

E. D. DAVIS,
Ventriloquist and Mimic.

"Your determination is, then, to resist the claim to the utmost?"

"Certainly. Spare no expense. Had it been my step-son, I would have yielded gracefully, but in justice to myself and my children, I shall repel an impostor by every means in my power. Whenever you require to see me, I will be at your service."

And the baronet went out.

"What do you say, Rickson?" said the elder partner. "Shall we sit down and let us talk the matter over," replied Rowcroft. "The affair is altogether incomprehensible and mysterious."

CHAPTER XLIII.
MR. SEPTIMUS FLINT.

It cannot be doubted that when our hero, after great exertions, traced the ex-Congo the Conjurer and his family to Italy, he acted with great want of prudence in keeping to the name under which he had passed in America—Ellis. He was so happy in the society of his friends, and especially of Nelly, budding into a beautiful woman, and showing such rare talents as an actress and singer, that all else was forgotten. When the return voyage to England was decided on, Arthur resolved thoroughly to disguise himself until he found out the true state of things. It was with this view that he traveled in the train of the new singer as a domestic, only venturing on London in the garb of a young yachtsman, which he believed to be one likely to attract no particular attention from any.

Above all, not from Charles Everton, the more that he was taller, stouter and more sunburnt than when he started from England. But these very precautions, and his adoption of a *nom de guerre*, were now used against him, to prove him an impostor. It was with these thoughts rankling in his bosom that the young outlaw from home walked away. He saw at once the consummate art with which his step-father had laid his plans.

The documents from New York were a part of Charles Everton's cunning machination. He had some faint idea how this had been brought about. By two unfortunate Englishmen, whom he had befriended, and who had mysteriously disappeared. He reached the house inhabited by Monk, his wife and daughter, and found the two latter out for a drive. He drew the showman into a private room and told all that had passed. Monk heard him with intense interest.

"You have a desperate game to play," he said, "Would that I could throw off my incognito! but it never can be while the old man lives. I have sworn it and with me an oath is sacred."

"Of course. I know that you are an Everton," said Arthur,

"I am; but even to own that is to say too much. What is it?"

A domestic entered with a note on a salver. It was addressed to Mr. Ellis, the name by which our hero was known in that household. He tore it open, and handed it to Monk.

"I wish to see you privately on most important business.
SEPTIMUS FLINT."

The great detective!" cried Monk. "Show him in. But what can this mean?"

A quiet, sedate, gentlemany-looking man, with gaunt cheeks and scant hair, who looked at you with a searching glance that went, so the criminal class said, to the very marrow of your bones, entered the room.

"Pray excuse this intrusion," he said, in a mild, suave voice. "I come to see a getleman calling himself Arthur Everton."

"And by what authority, sir," replied Monk coldly and suspiciously, "do you intrude on strangers? You forget that your name is too well known for us to be in any doubt of as to character."

"Had I wished to deceive you, I should not have given my name," replied Septimus Flint. "I come as a friend, though how I have obtained information must remain a mystery. Without my assistance, I doubt your doing much good."

Monk and Arthur exchanged glances, and then the former spoke.

"Your word is enough, Mr. Flint," replied the showman. "Pray be seated. If you can save my young friend, you will, of course, be handsomely rewarded."

"Of course—of course; though I have had a pretty good fee already. Now, please, young gentleman, tell me your story, from the date of leaving home. Omit no particular."

The young gentleman was nothing loth, and his story was minute in the extreme.

"Very clear—very satisfactory; and, to my mind, decisive, but not quite enough for a jury," said the detective. "In the first place, all those who recognize you as the boy who fled and led a wandering life, are Gipsies, clowns and strolling players—very worthy people, according to your own account, but not to be opposed to a gentleman like Sir Charles Everton, who is, moreover, in possession."

"But his movements can be traced day by day and hour by hour," said Monk, dryly; "and, besides, I am not what I seem. My name and position are as good as that of the pseudo-baronet."

"Probably so; but you would have to prove it," continued the other; "besides, we have the long interval of two years to get over, and here"—taking out a paper—"is a copy of the certificate of your death."

Arthur took it tremulously from his hand. It contained a circumstantial account of the death, by violence, in New York of an English youth who had gone by various names—Mr. Ellis, &c.—but who was, in reality, a wild runaway, named Arthur Everton. The persons who swore to his identity had known him in England, their names were:—

"Dick Dowlas, solicitor, Barbican.
"Lenah, commonly called 'Starling Jim.'"

The latter made his mark. To this document was attached the certificate of burial, and the usual Consular seals and signatures. The young man—for so he was now—laid it down with a deep sigh.

"The Gipsy I did see in New York. He is the companion of the Patterer and lame Pharaoh," observed Arthur; "but the other man I know nothing of."

"A low attorney. Heaven knows whether he be Jew or Christian!—he has all the evil qualities of both, and none of the good," urged the detective. "The thing is, to trace his object in going to New York."

"We must masquerade again," said Arthur, turning to Monk with a grim smile. "Where can we see this man?"

"Humph! his belongings are rather dirty. You will have to visit a thieves' kitchen."

"There are few places in London where I am not safe," said Monk, with a queer smile. "When shall we go?"

"To-night. But beware. The den which we shall enter is not one to be affronted lightly. Knives are the ready instruments of its frequenters. Whatever, therefore, you see or hear, you must be silent."

This promise was, of course, given. What further passed it is unnecessary to relate; but that evening, at a late hour, a man, dressed something between a dock laborer and a coal heaver, and followed by a dark, Gipsy-looking lad, entered a low public house in the neighborhood of Old street, evidently—

"A den where desperate men do congregate,
Fellows who play at hide and seek with
Justice and its minions."

They carelessly passed the bar, and entered a long, low, [illegible] lighted by guttering candles stuck in tin sconces. It was filled by long deal tables and chairs. But not the dirt, the foul steam of smoke, garlic, onions and herrings mixed, the low roar and other ignoble belongings, excited any notice. It was the gang collected. A more desperate crew it would be impossible to have equalled. As in most countries, such congregations were winked at by the authorities. When the police wished to cast a net they could do so without difficulty, and taking such big fish as they required, let the small ones escape. Monk swaggered up to a table, followed by his companion. The better to play his part he had procured some chops, and leaving the youth to secure bread and knives, he went to one of the two fires, and elbowing his way, secured an old gridiron, and began to cook. To those who grumbled he gave as good as he received, using such unmistakable slang as to convince them he was the right sort. All the time, however, he kept his eye fixed on the door, but so as to neither excite attention nor neglect his cookery. A covert smile passed over his countenance as he saw the detective in a nondescript tramp costume enter and take his seat apart. But not so far but that when the chops were ready he accepted an invitation to stand beer and share their meal. To all appearance they were intent upon their supper, though the quick, keen eyes of our hero, peered in every direction. Suddenly his heart gave a great leap as he recognised at an obscure table, in a dark corner, four men—his inveterate foes. There was the Patterer, Pharaoh, Lenah, and a man whom he at once recognised as having followed him about to every place of amusement and recreation he had visited in New York. The detective followed his eyes, and then, with his mout hhalf full, told him that was Dick Dowlas.

"Shall we smoke?" said Septimus Flint, as soon as the feeding was over.

Monk, in his surprise, very nearly let fall his pewter pot, for as the other spoke there stood before them Sir Charles Everton, which fully accounted for the presence of the four confederates. He was not much disguised, only wearing a rough coat and seedy hat; but his eyes were cast warily around, and he soon made out those he was in search of and joined the party. They at once rose and moved away into one of those secret and private dens which were only known to the initiated. The three visitors remained drinking and talking for some time, but as the others gave no sign of leaving the detective gave an imperceptible signal. They rose and quietly left the wretched emporium of vice and iniquity. A coach awaited them at no great distance, and in this they drove to the lodgings which the youth had secured in a private house at no great distance from the home of his friends. Scarcely a word was spoken during the journey, but as soon as they were cosily ensconced by a warm fire then a conference commenced. The detective was terse and determined.

"Mr. Charles Everton's case is bad, rotten to the core," said Septimus Flint, "or he would not consort with any such gang of ruffians. There can be no doubt that he will, as heretofore, make some desperate attempt to get rid of you. My eye shall be upon them, and it will go hard if I do not get him in my power. In the meantime you must keep close, quiet, out of the way."

"He will be safe in my house, replied Monk.

"Where he visits," continued the other, dryly. "No. Are there no old servants who would recognize him at Everton?"

"They have all been discharged," was the reply.

"Well, sir; if I were Sir Arthur, I should go down to Everton, live very close and quiet, make myself known to as few as possible, and ferret up all the evidence I could. In the meantime, we up here can give notice of action."

This course was discussed for some time and finally agreed on. Arthur was a stout, active, and fearless youth, fond of being dependent on his own resources, and nothing suited him better than, while action was pending, not to remain idle.

TO BE CONTINUED.

A LIVE AGENT.

The following rich story is related by a Sonora paper, at the expense of a queer genius who vibrated between the town of Oregon, as "advance" agent of a concert troupe, and who, though pretty clever in "selling" the curiously inclined, does not always come off first best.

Frank Ball, traveling in a vehicle bearing a strong resemblance to a pedler's cart. Old lady rushes out from a house by the road-side. The following colloquy ensues:

Old Lady—"Say, what have you got to sell?"

Ball—"I am a traveling agent, madam, for the greatest menagerie of ancient or modern times, which is shortly to be exhibited in this section, affording to the inhabitants thereof an opportunity of viewing the most stupendous collection of animals ever before exhibited."

Old Lady—"You don't say. Have you any elephants?"

Ball—"We have, madame, six elephants; but these constitute a comparatively unimportant part of the show. We have living specimens of bipeds and quadrupeds, who roamed over the earth, not only in the antediluvian, but also in modern and postmiocene periods, embracing the megatherium, with six legs and two tails; the ichthyossaurus, with four eyes and three tails; the gyasticus, with no eyes, two noses and four tails; the plesiosaurus, resembling Satan in shape, which spits fire and breathes sulphur, and many other species, too numerous to mention. We have also a pious lawyer."

Old Lady—"Well, I declare!"

Ball—"But, madame, the greatest curiosity by far of our exhibition, is a learned and classical educated monkey, who was brought up by a Mohammedon priest in the mysterious regions of the Great Desert of Sahara, this monkey talks with fluency all the modern languages, besides Latin, Greek and Hebrew. He can repeat the ten commandments, the emancipation proclamation, President Lincoln's last message, and performs the most intricate examples in mathematics with rapidity, ease and accuracy. While being exhibited in Washington he actually repeated a long speech of the president's. This monkey corresponds—

A beautiful young lady suddenly sticks her head from the window and calls out:—

"Mother! mother! ask him why they let the monkey travel so far ahead of the other animals!"

THE KING OF BALLOONS.—The celebrated aeronaut of Boston, Mass., Mr. Samuel King, is constructing a monster balloon, which in point of size, it is stated, will exceed any ever actually used in this country. It is very appropriately called the "Colossus." The body of the ballon is a perfect sphere, except there is the usual elongation on the lower side for the neck. Its circumference is one hundred and ninety-one feet, and its capacity is nearly one hundred thousand cubic feet. Only in the large cities could a supply of gas be found to fill it. Twelve hundred yards of forty-inch best Lyman Mills cloth, furnished expressly for the purpose, were required in its construction, and five months have been devoted to the work, notwithstanding the fact that sewing machines materially lessened both time and labor. Four barrels of oil varnish, of the kind generally used by Mr. King to coat his balloons and to make them impervious to the gas, were used to cover the surface of the "Colossus." The cloth is in single thickness except the top, where it is double, to secure greater strength, and to make the mammoth envelope strong in other parts there are twenty-four stays or bands running entirely around it. The name is painted upon the side in letters seven feet high. Suspended to a net work of strong cords will be two cars. The upper one is intended for scientific observations, and will be fitted up with scientific instruments and for the accommodation of the observers. The lower car will contain the other passengers and the ballast. The collapsing cord, which is brought into use only when it is desirable to collapse the balloon and let out the gas suddenly, as for instance when a landing is made in a gale of wind, is sewed into a seam for the distance of seventy-five feet from the neck upward. In detaining the balloon on the ground in lighting, three anchors will be used in place of one, which would be sufficient in the case of balloons of ordinary size. These anchors will be arranged in a peculiar manner, and in several particulars Mr. King has introduced improvements in connection with the balloon. The gas envelope, netting and basket, will weigh fourteen hundred or fifteen hundred pounds. Filled with hydrogen gas, the "Colossus" would be able to carry between one thousand and seven thousand pounds into the air, and with carburetted hydrogen, or the common illuminating gas, which has much less buoyancy, fifteen or twenty passengers can be taken, together with scientific apparatus, and a sufficient quantity of ballast for a long voyage. From the figures already given it will be seen that the aeronautic craft is indeed a "Colossus." A comparison with the size of some of the other balloons frequently used in Boston by Mr. King, will assist our readers to form a better idea of its immensity. While the "Colossus" has a capacity of nearly one hundred thousand cubic feet, the "Gen Grant," with which Mr. King has made many ascensions, there and elsewhere, holds only fifteen thousand cubic feet. The "Queen of the Air" had a Spangled Banner," fifty thousand feet, and the "Hyperion," which, on its first trip, carried no less than eight persons from Boston a distance of seventy-five miles, and on the day following made another long voyage, a capacity of sixty-five thousand feet. The new monster is a veritable giant among Mr. King's numerous family of balloons.

DEATH!

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY WALDORF H. PHILLIPS (STRIVEAR D. WAD).

Oh, Death! thou conqueror of all,
Before whose mighty arm e'en kings must bow
And powerful armies fall.
Dressed in hue of deepest mourning,
Every obstacle scorning,
With resistless tread dost thou go marching on,
And passeth not until thy work is done.
Sooner or later thou calleth on us all;
And we, oh Death, must answer to thy call.
Silently thou cometh, and when thy icy breath
Doth on thy victim's pale cheek fall,
We know thou art the mighty bridegroom, Death.

THE RICHMOND THEATRE.

IN TWO PARTS.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY J. B. RENAULD.

Sixty years ago the theatre on this continent was comparatively in its infancy, and especially was this the case in Richmond, Va. But when the metropolis of the young western republic had yet to learn to what degree of perfection in mechanism, appointments, and scenery, the stage could be brought, a provincial town could hardly be expected to have far advanced towards such perfection; yet the capital of the Old Dominion state possessed a cosy little theatre, with a seating capacity of about 800, situated on what is now known as Broad street. The structure was not a pretentious one, but, like most of the places of amusement of that day, was built with a view to perfect solidity, though the auditorium was constructed exclusively of pine wood, so much brought into requisition in the building of edifices of all kinds at that time, particularly in that section of the country. The pillars, galleries, boxes, etc., were constructed of that material, and the roof shingled. The auditorium consisted of pit, lower and upper boxes, or what would be termed in these days, parquet, first and second tiers. The ceiling of both tiers were covered with painted canvas, helping, in a great measure, to make the interior of the building very combustible. The stage was small, and furnished exclusively with 34 drop scenes, painted on ordinary canvas, and one paper scene, the whole not extremely combustible on the painted sides, but so well covered with the fibres of the hemp on the other as to make it so. The mode of exit was insufficient—appalling disasters had yet to occur to teach the stern lesson of necessity for adequate means of departure for an audience. Pit and boxes had but one avenue, and through it alone could the whole audience reach the street. Theatres, then, could not be emptied in a shorter space of time than half an hour. It is not so now. But many a heart-rending catastrophe (when we remember Richmond, Quebec and other places) has been necessary to bring about the change so needed.

Thursday, Dec. 11th, 1811, had been set apart for the benefit of Mr. Placide. Among those connected with the Richmond Theatre that season were Messrs. Green, manager; West, 1st actor; Robertson, 2d actor; Anderson, Young, actors; Utt, prompter; Cook, stage carpenter; Rice, property man, and Yore, scene shifter. The bill consisted, among other things, of the pantomime of "The Bleeding Nun; or, Agnes and Raymond." Crowds had swarmed to the theatre; it was the fullest house of the season, fully 600 people being present—or, what enthusiastic reporters and correspondents generally describe as a house "jammed from pit to dome." The farce preceding the pantomime, and the first act of the latter, had been played. Merriment was in every look; youth and beauty smiled; gaiety reigned everywhere, in pit and boxes. Little did the fated audience then dream of the distressing scene which was so soon to follow and plunge into an unknown eternity over three score of their number. The curtain rose on the second act. The first scene represented the cottage of Baptist, the Robber. In the first act had been used a chandelier, which hung from the collar beam of the roof. At the conclusion of that act it was lifted among the scenery, above, only two lights it had, only one had been blown out. Mr. West was preparing to enter the scene when he noticed the light among the "flies." He and Mr. Rice instantly ordered it to be taken down and extinguished. Mr. Cook tried to do so; the rope tangled; he jerked it and caused the lamp to oscillate and set fire to the scenery. He at once ran up to the carpenter's gallery, but in vain; he tried to lower the scene, which had caught fire, being unable to distinguish the proper ropes. Mr. Robertson was on the stage and saw the sparks fall. After ascertaining the true condition of affairs, he approached the footlights, and, not wishing to alarm the audience, motioned them to leave the house, at first apprehending no imminent danger, but finding the flames spreading with unexpected rapidity, exclaimed—"The house is on fire!" at the same time going to one of the stage boxes and entreating its inmates to jump down, but ere he had time to put his project into execution—that of conveying them to the street through the private stage door—the flames had made such headway that he had to seek his own safety through the public entrance. When the

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TO CORRESPONDENTS.

☞ **We never answer questions by mail. All** addressed to us seeking information will be answered through this column only.

J. L., Toronto.—No horse in the world ever ran a mile in a minute. The popular but erroneous belief to this effect probably arose from the statement made by some ignorant English writer that Flying Childers' speed was so great that in some parts of his gallop, when fully extended, he appeared to move at the rate of a mile in a minute. A little reflection will show you the folly of your belief.

RON BOY, Geddes, N. Y.—1. B is not entitled to 20 points for his three tricks, but only 15. At the variety of Forty-fives known as the "Jenk Game," five extra is taken for the best trump, but if nothing new to be here mentioned, high, low, jack and game to be taken for making the three tricks. 2. There are more churches in New York than in Brooklyn.

C. W. B., Hamilton, Ont.—Our opinion is that the member who won the cup is the person who has it in his possession, and if he is willing to run for it again under the original conditions and the club which gave it being broken up, we think, under the circumstances, it ought to be given up to him.

J. H. K., Brooklyn.—1. We have not a record of 2:16. 2. The statement in the newspaper mentioned that Dexter trotted a mile in 2:16 on the Fashion Course does not make it a record, for he did not go the whole heat. 3. The use of the words "official record" was unnecessary. 4. You win all the three bets.

B. G. L., Philadelphia.—Dexter undoubtedly trotted a mile in 2:16 on the Fashion Course, L. I., but, as he did not win the heat, he does not get the record. It therefore, you bet that Dexter trotted in 2:16, you lose, as all such bets are governed by the record.

R. D. A., San Francisco, Cal.—Charles Mathews commenced his farewell engagement at Wallack's Theatre on April 18th last, playing Dazzle, in "London Assurance." He made his farewell appearance in this city June 1st, playing Sir Simon Simple in "Not Such a Fool as He Looks."

L. F. G., Syracuse, N. Y.—The best hand at cribbage is three fives and a Jack, with a five turned up of the same suit as the Jack. It counts sixteen by fifteens, twelve for double pair-royal, and one for his nob, or twenty-five in all.

F. S., Philadelphia.—Certainly a player can make a suit trumps of which he does not hold a single card. He takes the responsibility of making the call, and if the adversaries do not win the two handed game, he is entitled to two points for a march.

SUBSCRIBER.—1. D wins, for Goldsmith Maid has trotted the fastest mile on record to harness. 2. The Milwaukee course was a full mile when Goldsmith Maid made her mile there in 2:17. D wins both bets.

J. H., Chicago.—As no official time is taken in English racing, there is no authentic record of the time made by any horse for us to decide bets. Gladiateur was said to have run 1 mile 17 yards in 1:39. The bet must be drawn.

C. G. J., Buffalo, N. Y.—When the drama entitled "Buffalo Bill" was first produced at the Bowery Theatre, Mr. W. F. Cody appeared on the stage and was introduced to the audience. He took no part in the drama.

BANKS.—You win the bet, as Joe Goss never defeated Jim Mace, either in or out of the ring. They fought thrice, Mace winning twice and the second encounter terminating in a draw, Mace having grained his ankle.

SPORT SPOR.—Harry and George Wright, of base ball celebrity, are brothers, and sons of the veteran cricketer, Sam Wright. Harry never performed the feat of crossing Niagara on a tight-rope, nor does George travel under such a *nom de plume*.

TOM CANAVAN, Troy, N. Y.—The town of Lansingburgh has not been consolidated with the city of Brooklyn; consequently, St. Louis only ranks as fourth largest city in the United States. Williamsburgh is part of the city of Brooklyn.

CENTRAL PARK.—1. The late N. A. Burke's drama entitled "Herne, the Hunter," was produced in great splendor, aided by a stud of twenty-four horses, at the Broadway Theatre, Feb. 18th, 1856, and ran eighteen nights. Therefore you win.

ELSIE, Ottawa, Canada.—1. The Gregory family, when we heard from them in January last, were in India. 2. There are a great many *troupes* performers traveling who perform that teat, and their salaries depend entirely upon ability and reputation.

BOOB, Chicago.—1. As your city had a population of 298,93 at the taking of the census in 1870, it is safe to calculate that it had 300,000 just previous to the fire. 2. New York is the largest city of the United States, having had a population of 926,341 in 1870.

D. Q., Chicago.—Trustee trotted 20 miles in harness in 59:09½. Lady Fulton in 59:55, John Stewart, to wagon, in 59:23; Capt. McGowan, in harness, a half mile on a track in 58:25; and Mattie Howard, on a half mile track, in 59:30½.

SAPPHO.—1. The annual regatta of the New York Yacht Club is fixed to take place on the third Thursday of the present month. 2. The Club was engaged in three races in English waters, being awarded the prize in each.

M. K., Selma.—Unless the State Association rules say otherwise, you cannot force a club to accept your challenge; neither can you claim forfeit unless they agree to play on a certain day and fail to appear at the time appointed.

A. S., St. Louis.—I. Blink Benny won the Derby and Oaks. 2. Fillies can ran for the Derby, but the Oaks is exclusively for fillies.

PERP O'DAY Boy, Baltimore.—1. Other American trainers besides Mr. Pyne, who have resided in England, entertain the same opinion. However, opinions differ. 2. We think not.

A. B CLAFLIN, New Haven.—If the race took place before the following Sunday, the man who bet that crew No. 1 would win loses; if not it is a draw.

SPARTACUS.—At cribbage, the cards being played as follows, 2, 6, 3, 4, 5, 7, A was entitled to a sequence of five on playing his five, and 8 to one of six on playing his seven.

J. P. CURRY.—If all depending upon a race thing is all right, provided fraud has not been resorted to in order to induce the other party to bet.

B. AND P., Boston, Mass.—Would it not be better to engage a performer who has eight dogs already trained? An advertisement would secure such.

A. R. P., Philadelphia, Pa.—1. We never answer questions relating to the private affairs of professional ladies. 2. A letter addressed to her in care of this office will reach her.

J. K. C., Parker's Landing, Pa.—At cribbage, the elder hand or the non-dealer counts his hand and scores first, and the dealer last.

M. S. McM., Galveston.—The steamer Irad Ferry No. 12, of New Orleans, La., ran 440 yards, took suction and forced water through 1,100 feet for the 11 minute hour. The failure of the Pilot.

IAMA, Baltimore.—1. The Boston. 2. Yes, he is a very effective pitcher. 3. You will find the names of all the professional nines for the past three years in the Base Ball Guide.

SUBSCRIBER.—1. The colts by Lexington did not beat any first class club, though they won single games from them; but they beat every series.

TOM RYAN, Boston.—1. If you mean at the present day, we cannot name any one. 2. Walter Brown never rowed against James Renforth.

J. B., Savannah, Ga.—There is no record for that distance, as few such races are pulled over a course less than three miles in length.

THOMAS GOULE, Pittsburgh, Pa.—You can obtain the desired instrument from Ed. James, whose address you will see among our advertisements.

AN ENQUIRER, Brooklyn.—1. Tom Sayers was never beaten by any other man than Nat Langham. 2. The longest standing jump on record is 53 feet 3¾ inches, by Ed. Gallagher.

J. F. T., Cincinnati.—Custom has made the rule allow that the cards should be dealt three at a time in the game of pitch all-fours.

BALTIMORE.—In the case of a club disbanding, the players composing the nine cannot play legally in any other club until sixty days from the date thereof.

A. B. C., Newport, Ind.—Ethan Allen's best time with running mate was 2:15.

E. W. J., Connersville, Ind.—If it has not already appeared in your "local," we will use it. Let us hear.

ANNIE, New Orford, Pa.—We know nothing of him. You had better apply to a regular physician.

M. K., Boston, Mass.—B went out first with his high and low, as those points are taken before their point for Jack.

J. W., Brooklyn.—St. Albans won the St. Leger in the year 1860.

THOMAS MCLOSE.—Write to Joe Witt, 39 Rose street, New York.

COL. LUM SMITH, Buffalo.—Thank you—it shall appear soon.

T. E. O., Washington, D. C.—It is scarcely up to the mark.

SUBSCRIBER, Trinidad, Col.—It expires with No. 10 Vol. 20.

J. W. G., Girard, Pa.—Address him in care of this office.

O. J. M., North Attleboro.—See answer to J. L., above.

M. S. W., Pittsburgh.—How is it possible for us to tell?

J. C. McH., Philadelphia.—See obituary in this issue.

DIAMOND & CRUTER.—Ninety cents for each insertion.

"WATCH ON THE RHINE."—Will appear in good time.

F. BROWN, Buffalo.—Will give it space in due season.

C. W. L. and S. R.—Accepted for early publication.

READER.—It will cost C $3 to see B's straddle of $1.

THAT LAYS OVER THE JAPS. His origin is unknown.

PERRY AND FRANK.—The last straddler has the age

DIBBLE.—Nine lines, four inches, comes to $5.63.

CASINO, Cleveland.—The game is a draw.

HUMBERDALE.—See reply to J. T. L. G. M.

"ARKANSAS TRAVELER."—In our next.

C. GILBERT.—Respectfully declined.

ROCKS.—It will be "taken in."

ALL GREEK.—The cable informed us the other day that nine Greek criminals, of the worst class, including some murderers, have been released on condition that they emigrate to the United States. It is well to learn this fact thus early, because it gives us time to call a meeting, get up an address of welcome, and appoint a committee to receive these distinguished guests when they arrive off the Battery. To be sure, the field in which this class of our foreign relations operate in is pretty well occupied by home talent, yet, being of the ambitious, go-ahead sort, the new comers will no doubt *make* business for themselves. These gentlemen, who just come in the nick of time, will be of great benefit in the political campaign just commenced. Let preparations be made for their proper reception without delay.

SINCE STRIKES have so grown in favor, what are the waiters, and bell "boys," and porters in our hotels about that they don't move? Surely, if any class of men need less hours of labor and better pay, it is those we have mentioned. It is owing to the very low wages such people receive that guests are so importuned for gratuities.

STRANGE REPORTS come to us from Norfolk, Va., one of which declares that a few days ago a large catfish fell from the sky into the street. We believe the story as far as a fallen fish is concerned, but, doubtless, it was a *sun* fish that fell from the *skies*, instead of a catty. Its best to keep things straight.

THOSE DEAR, pious brethren throughout the country who have been praying for rain, having succeeded in effecting the desired object, have ceased their fervent appeals, in that direction, and pray that milk dealers may not take advantage of the outpouring to the detriment of the people at large.

ON THE WAR PATH.—The various elements opposed to the administration at Washington, D. C., are ringing the changes on "Beat Grant!" "Beat Grant!" "Beat Grant!" "Anything to beat Grant!" It looks as if this thing was intended to be a "dead beat."

THE ATHLETIC men weakened considerably, and were greatly "put out," when the umpire in the late Athletic-Baltimore match "put out" so many of them in such a summary manner. They object to taking any more "Graham bred" umpires.

"YOU BET."—A great many wagers have already been made on the coming democratic convention in Baltimore, which assemblage promises to create a greater sensation than any similar body that was ever convened.

ABOUT CLUBS.—A correspondent wants to know "which is the oldest woman's club?" We have no authentic record of anything older than the broomstick, which has been in use as a weapon of offence ever since the world began.

WOMEN work at bricklaying in Austria, and we are told that it is common to see them carrying hods of bricks and mortar up long ladders. And this is what it will end in here, if women persist in their demand for women's rights.

THE BLACKSMITHS, now that the other trades have mapped out the way, ought to "strike while the iron's hot."

MILBURN, the "blind preacher," was divorced from Mrs. Milburn on May 25th, but he "can't see it."

ISN'T IT ABOUT TIME that the papers commenced to record the failure of the various crops?

DEATH OF JAMES GORDON BENNETT.

A journalist whose fame was world wide has passed away from earth. James Gordon Bennett, the founder, editor and proprietor of the leading newspaper in America, the *New York Herald*, died at his residence, in this city, corner of Fifth avenue and Thirty-eighth street, on Saturday, June 1st, at 5.25 P. M., in the 77th year of his age. On the previous Saturday, about 1.30 P. M., Mr. Bennett experienced a convulsive attack, which, however, was so slight that but little thought was given to it. About midnight, however, it was repeated with greatly augmented violence, causing the gravest apprehensions to be entertained by his medical advisers, Drs. Ceccarini, Hammond and Lusk. His illness continuing, they held daily consultations, but it quickly became apparent that they were powerless to avert his rapidly approaching dissolution. The sufferer seemed conscious of this, also, and at his request Archbishop McCloskey was sent for and administered the last sacraments of the Roman Catholic Church, Father Preston, of the Paulist Society, and for a long time prior to the moment when his spirit left its earthly tabernacle he was unconscious of what was transpiring around him. It is sad to state that during his last moments his beloved wife was unattended by her children. His eldest son was in Italy for some years past, while his only children, James Gordon Bennett, Jr., and Miss Jeannette Bennett, took their departure for England (we learn the deceased had planned a journey to Europe) a few weeks ago. They were notified by telegraph of his dangerous illness, and are now on their way to New York. The only persons at his death-bed were Mrs. Bennett, Herbert Hudnut, for many years associated with him in the conduct of the *Herald*; Mr. Connery, its present managing editor; his cousin, Mr. Read, and Dr. Cecarini. His body will be retained for preservation until the arrival of his wife and children, until which time the details for the funeral will not be perfected. Mr. Bennett possessed a handsome plot of ground at Greenwood, where two of his children lie buried, and there his body will be deposited when interred. Below we give a brief sketch of the deceased journalist:—

James Gordon Bennett was born at New Mill, near Keith, in Banffshire, Scotland, in 1795. His parents being Roman Catholics of French descent. At the age of 14 he was sent to Aberdeen to study for the priesthood, but after two or three years' sojourn there he became convinced that his path lay in a different direction, and, in 1819, he sailed for America, landing at Halifax, N. S., with a few dollars in his pocket. Being unable to obtain employment there, he made his way to Portland, Me., from whence he proceeded to Boston on board a schooner fast. After wandering about the streets, with nothing to appease his hunger for two days, he secured a situation as salesman, at a small salary, and afterwards became proof-reader in Wells & Lilly's printing house. The failure of the firm, in 1822, threw him out of employment again and he came to New York, where he contributed occasionally to the newspapers. This was a poor source of pecuniary profit, however, and Mr. B, relinquishing it, went to Charleston, S. C., where he did duty as some Spanish translator and general assistant in the office of the *Charleston* (S. C.) *Courier*. His stay there was brief, and returning to this city he established a "Commercial School" at 148 Fulton street. This didn't pay, however, and he again turned his attention to newspaper reporting. In 1825 he became proprietor of the *Sunday Courier*, but bad luck pursued him also, and he soon gave it up, and became attached to the *National Advocate*. He afterwards succeeded W. G. Graham as associate editor, with M. M. Noah, of the *Enquirer*; joined the Tammany Society and interested himself in politics. It was in 1829 that, by his application, as correspondent of that journal, that he made his first sensation in journalism, by sketching prominent characters in a series of personal sketches, which were known as "Portraits of Distinguished Americans." The *Enquirer* was consolidated with another journal and the title of *Courier and Enquirer* adopted, Col. James W. Webb being the proprietor and the paper the leading one of the day in America. A quarrel took place between Webb and Bennett, and the latter withdrawal of the latter in 1832. He then started a democratic journal, which died in thirty days. He then went to Philadelphia and became part proprietor of the *Pennsylvanian*, but, being opposed to the views of the Van Buren party, was compelled to abandon the enterprise, and, returning to New York, he sought employment upon the *Sun*. This he was unsuccessful in procuring, and, buying with what he could command, he established a democratic party, he renounced politics and set resolutely to work to carry out his ideas of establishing a newspaper upon a genuine news basis, having no connection whatever with politics. The result was the *New York Herald*, the first number of which issued on the 6th of May, 1835, being small in size and selling for one cent per copy. The firm was James Gordon Bennett & Co., two young printers named Anderson and Shepherd agreeing to print it and share the profits and losses, and the publication office being a deep cellar at No. 20 Wall street.

Thence the office was removed, Oct. 12th, to No. 148 Nassau street, when the proprietor's name was omitted, but the paper was unsuccessful, however; still Bennett struggled on, gradually winning his way to success. The great fire of Dec. 16th, 1835, gave him an opportunity to display his peculiar talents in this direction, and for four days and nights he was at work collecting the accounts of the appearance of the ruins, the incidents of the conflagration, the struggles of merchants to retrieve their losses, and the rebuilding of the burned district. For this edition of Dec. 21st, assembly Rooms, the demand for copies were printed. Shortly after, in 1836, when Helen Jewett was mysteriously murdered, he employed the same system and described the scene of the murder, her life, and surroundings. Bennett then entered into partnership and transferred the office to Clinton Hall, the present sight of the Nassau Bank, the price being raised to two cents. In 1841 the office was removed to the corner of Nassau and Fulton streets, where it remained until a few years ago, when the new building, corner of Ann street and Broadway, was occupied. In personal appearance Mr. Bennett was in many respects remarkable. He was considerably over six feet in height, and down to within a few years he walked erect and sturdily through an arrow, and with the stately tread of an old soldier. He was slight of figure, but strong limbed, and very fond of physical exercise. His head was very large, and he was a sufferer for years resulting from opthalmia, gave a peculiar appearance to his countenance.

NEWS OF THE WEEK BOILED DOWN.

☞ A telegram from Madrid, dated May 28th, says that the cause of the fall of the Sagasta ministry is as follows:—The prisoners of the Carlist insurrection have been transferred from the Colonial to the Interior Department, having Segasta declared, been used by the police spy department. Records were produced, consisting of letters of Carlists, deputies and generals and reports of their movements, in which every prominent Spaniard is represented as involved in some conspiracy. Serrano is said to be plotting to place Alphonso, the son of ex-Queen Isabella, on the throne of Spain, and Margall to plunder the Bank of Spain; Rey to be compromised with the Carlists, and Zorilla with the International. King Amadeus is distrustful of all his advisers, and is consulting his father as to the expediency of calling in Prim.

☞ The report that Marshal Serrano had refused to head the new Spanish ministry is denied. The new cabinet is as follows:—President of the council and minister of war, Marshal Serrano; minister of foreign affairs, Ulloa; minister of the interior, Cristino; minister of finance, Elduayen; minister of marine, Admiral Topete; minister of the interior, Candau; minister of the colonies, Ayala; minister of public works, Salguer

☞ Fritz Kimmel fatally shot Miss Emma Spohr and killed himself at Camp Reynolds, Angel Island, California, on May 24th.

☞ Prof. Anderson's remains were exhumed and subjected to medical examination at Brooklyn, N. Y., on June 3d, when large quantities of arsenic were found in the stomach. Mrs. Anderson and Dr. Irish have been arrested upon a charge of poisoning.

☞ Cuban insurgents fired into a Spanish gunboat entering the Bay of Bayonu lately, severely wounding several persons. Gen. Moreno, his two sons and four other insurgent officers have been captured and shot. Conspiracy has been discovered among the prisoners at Cascorra and Guainoro.

☞ A tornado swept over Morgan County, Mo., on May 25th, killing and wounding several persons and destroying much property. Mrs. Mary Spalding and Cummings, 3. You will find the complete Athletic record in the Guide for 1872.

C. C., Haverhill.—1. Pearce is the captain of the Mutual Star. They are about equal. 2. We cannot say.

F. B., Marcy Mills, Oneida county.—The advertisement, in a space of nine lines, will cost $1.35 for each insertion.

J. W., Brooklyn.—St. Albans won the St. Leger in the year 1860.

THOMAS MCLOSE.—Write to Joe Witt, 39 Rose street, New York.

COL. LUM SMITH, Buffalo.—Thank you—it shall appear soon.

T. E. O., Washington, D. C.—It is scarcely up to the mark.

SUBSCRIBER, Trinidad, Col.—It expires with No. 10 Vol. 20.

J. W. G., Girard, Pa.—Address him in care of this office.

O. J. M., North Attleboro.—See answer to J. L., above.

M. S. W., Pittsburgh.—How is it possible for us to tell?

J. C. McH., Philadelphia.—See obituary in this issue.

DIAMOND & CRUTER.—Ninety cents for each insertion.

"WATCH ON THE RHINE."—Will appear in good time.

F. BROWN, Buffalo.—Will give it space in due season.

C. W. L. and S. R.—Accepted for early publication.

READER.—It will cost C $3 to see B's straddle of $1.

THAT LAYS OVER THE JAPS. His origin is unknown.

PERRY AND FRANK.—The last straddler has the age

DIBBLE.—Nine lines, four inches, comes to $5.63.

CASINO, Cleveland.—The game is a draw.

HUMBERDALE.—See reply to J. T. L. G. M.

"ARKANSAS TRAVELER."—In our next.

C. GILBERT.—Respectfully declined.

ROCKS.—It will be "taken in."

MACDONALD, The Hon. John Sanfield—Late premier of Ontario—Cornwall, Canada, June 1st.

MCNALLY, THOMAS—Minstrel leader.—See musical news.

MENDEZ, M.—Consul.—The last survivor of the committee convened in the Benefchatel revolution of 1831, and who was also condemned to death for the part he took in the struggle.—Neufchatel, Switzerland, recently.

PITCHER, Dr. Gideon H.—Eminent physician of Boston—From the effects of poison introduced into his system while performing a post-mortem examination of a subject who had died of erysipelas.—Hudson, N. Y., May 31st.

PENNIMAN, Dr. William A.—Left $30,000 for the establishment of a homœopathic hospital in Minneapolis, on the condition that $70,000 are added to it from other sources. The offer is to remain open for fourteen years. The $30,000 is to remain on depo-it in the meantime, the interest of which is to be added to $30,000, to be used to endow a chair of homœopathy in the State University—Minneapolis, Minn., recently.

PARNEL,) The three men who were tried and convicted on the
BOON,) charge of participation in some of the most outrageous
BOUDIN,) acts committed in Paris during the reign of the Commune—executed, and at the last moment, died crying Vive la Commune," Satory, France, May 28th.

ROSER, The Rev. John E.—Editor of the *Christian Advocate*, and one of the oldest Methodist ministers in Western New York—of apoplexy, Cornwallis, N. Y., May 26th.

RUSSELL, The Right Hon. William—Eighth Duke of Bedford, nephew of Earl (Lord John) Russell, born in London in 1809, and was a scion of an illustrious family, elevated to the peerage by Henry VIII in 1539. In 1694 he head of the family was created Duke of Bedford. The late duke was a member of the house of commons for Tavistock from 1832 to 1839, and succeeded to the title of his father in 1861, and was succeeded by his descendant, Francis Charles Hastings Russell, oldest son of Major-Gen. Lord George William Russell and grandson of the sixth Duke of Bedford. The deceased was one of the wealthiest men in England—London, Eng., May 27th, aged 64.

SHORTER, The Hon. John Gill—Ex-governor of Alabama—Eufaula, Ala., May 29th.

SCOTT, Col. John S.—Proprietor of the 1st Louisiana cavalry—New Orleans, La., April 18th, aged 45.

SNYDER, Tony—Of Adirondack, and one of the oldest guides in that region—Adirondack, N. Y., recently.

SPAULDING, Dr. Leonard—Milbury, Mass., May 23d, aged 56.

WADDELL, William B.—Largely engaged, at one time, in the transportation of government freight across the plains, and an esteemed citizen of Kentucky—Lexington, Ky., May 19th.

SKINNER, Mrs Innes—Widow of the Very Rev. J. Skinner—Malvern Link, Scotland, April 23d, aged 92.

SANFORD, James—Well known in sporting circles. Further particulars in turf columns.

SCHULTZ, Carrie—Mrs. John H. David. See elsewhere in this issue.

SCUDDER, Capt. Edwin—For some years engaged in mercantile pursuits in Boston, and a resident of Cambridge—committed suicide by shooting himself, through pecuniary trouble, Denver, Col., May 26th.

SHAW, Samuel—One of the board of assessors of the town of Plymouth—consumption, Plymouth, Mass., May 26th.

YOER, Alderman, J. W.—More familiarly known as Judge Toer, and formerly a slave—Tallahassee, Fla., May 23d, aged 60.

WEST, John A.—Leading grocer of Concord, and representative in the city council and legislature—Concord, N. H., May 31st, aged 51.

WILLIAMS, Emily—Mother of Bishop Williams, of Connecticut, and relict of the late Ephraim Williams, of Deerfield, Mass. —Middletown, Conn., May 29th, aged 80.

WILHELMINA, The Archduchess Sophia Frederica Dorothea Wilhelmina—Mother of Charles Francis Joseph, the reigning emperor of Austria-born Jan. 27th, 1805; was the daughter of the deceased Maximilian Joseph, king of Bavaria, and married the Emperor Joseph Francis Charles, father of the present emperor. Died May 24th, at Vienna. Charles Francis Joseph, the deceased had three other sons, the unfortunate archduke Ferdinand Maximilian Joseph, afterwards emperor of Mexico under the title of Maximilian I; Charles Louis Joseph Maria, governor of the Tyrol and of the Voralburg, and Louis Joseph Antoine Victor, a colonel in the Austrian army—typhoid fever, May 28th, aged 67.

WATSON, James S.—Distinguished turfman. See turf department of this issue.

THE TURF.

THE JEROME PARK SPRING RACES.

Ortolan Wins the Fordham Stakes; Joe Daniels the Belmont Stakes; Flatina the Three Quarter Mile Dash; and Tammany the Steeple Chase.

FIRST DAY, SATURDAY, JUNE 1.

The Spring Meeting of the American Jockey Club commenced on Saturday, June 1st, at Jerome Park, and was a delightfully fine, and the attendance larger than was ever known before on the opening day. The programme of sport was most attractive, embracing four events—a handicap race of one mile and a quarter, the Belmont stakes, a three quarter mile dash, and a steeple chase. Here was a bill of fare sufficient to satisfy the most inveterate lover of racing, especially as each event brought out large fields of first-class horses. Numerous improvements have been effected since the last meeting; the grand stand has been repainted, and a new weighing stand placed in close proximity to the judges' stand, thus avoiding the crowding and crushing which has hitherto always prevailed in the latter, in consequence of the presence of jockeys weighing in, as well as for the races in which they were engaged.

THE FORDHAM STAKES HANDICAP

was the first event on the day's programme, the receptakes of $50 each, half forfeit, and $10 if declared by May 20th, with $500 added by the Jockey Club; the second horse to receive $200 out of the stakes. The distance was one mile and a quarter, and the following horses entered to run and 19 accepted the handicapper's weights. Of these just a dozen came to the post, viz., Ortolan, 5 years, 116 lbs; Frank Ross, 4 years, 105 lbs; Quintard, 4 years, 104 lbs; Alroy, 4 years, 102 lbs; Tim Wise Sap, 4 years, 103 lbs; Mary Louise, 4 years, 102 lbs; Rounder, 4 years, 98 lbs; Buckden, 3 years, 88 lbs; Eastern Star, 4 years, 100 lbs; Trumps, 4 years, 98 lbs; Vim, 3 years, 88 lbs, and Tom Boston, 5 years, 110 lbs. Mr. Doswell's filly Winesap, the winner of the Belmont Hotel Stakes last season at Long Branch, was made the favorite in the betting, on the strength of a favorable trial with Midday. Eastern Star, a filly in Col. McDaniels' stable, that has had pure blood in her veins but a few generations, was next backed, and Alroy, a colt by Australian, dam Dolly Carter, and chestnut colt Hubbard, by Planet, dam Minnie Mansfield; D. R. Harness' chestnut colt Meteor, by Asteroid, dam Maria Stone; John Chamberlin's gray colt, Brennus, by Lightning, dam Edith; D. J. Crouse's chestnut colt Business, by Revolver, dam Syren; W. Jennings' bay colt Cape Race, by Lexington, dam Zone; John Chamberlin's gray colt, Brennus, by Lightning, dam Brenna; and D. D. Withers' b e Blenkiron (imported) by Saunterer, dam Fe odorowna. Col. McDaniels' pair were the first choice in the pools, bringing in one pool (which may be taken as an average one) $1,300; Cape Race, $1,000; Shylock, $400; Midday, $400; Brennus, $115; field, $150. Cape Race, on the strength of his successful running at New Orleans (where he ran a second heat in 1:40 and won the next in that time), was supported, and Shylock, the representative of Mr. Swigert's stable, who won this Cameron stakes two years ago with Kinglisher, and ran second to Harry Bassett for if last year with Lockwood, did not lack for backers. Brennus, who, although entered by Mr. John Grimstead, who for sale, in his new owner's, Mr. John Chamberlin's beautiful colors, white and crimson spots, so popular and well known on the English turf as Lord Zetland's racing colors, had also some plucky friends, as had Midday, the latter being ridden by Harry Grimshaw, jockeys Mr. Chamberlin has recently imported. Hennessey had the mount on Cape Race, and little Rowe, who rode Harry Bassett in his races last year, piloted Joe Daniels, which settles the pulling powers of Meteor, who would not go up to his horses, delayed the start some little time, but at last Mr. Wheatley lowered his flag to a rather uneven send off. Cape Race took the lead, with Alroy second, Midday third, Meteor and Shylock following in the rear rank, and in this order they ran around the club house bluff out of sight. Re appearing in view, Cape Race was still leading, with Rounder second, Quintard third, Midday fourth, and the others in a cluster, except Blenkiron, who was far in the rear. Coming up the home-stretch, Shylock rushed to the front, and led past the stand, Meteor second, Cape Race third, Brennus fourth, Midday fifth, and Joe Daniels sixth, and shortly after disappeared from view behind the hill. 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J. O'Donnell entered gr f Mary Louise, by Lightning, dam by Queen of Scotland, 102lbs 6

D. J. Crouse entered b g Rounder, by Revolver, dam Genole Annie, 5yrs old, 98lbs 7

Hunter & Travers entered b c (imported) Buckden, by Lord Clifton, dam Consequence, 3 yrs old, 88lbs 8

D. McDaniels & Co. entered b f (imported) Eastern Star, by Cape Flyaway, dam Star of India, 4 yrs old, 100lbs 9

A. B. Parsons entered b g Trumps, by Australian, dam Mattie Gross, 4 yrs old, 98lbs 10

Monson & Gray entered b c Vim, by Kentucky, dam Verbena, 3 yrs old, 86lbs 11

H. Blandy entered ch h Tom Boston, by Frank Boston, dam Prelude, 5 yrs old, 110lbs 12

Time, 2:14.

THE BELMONT STAKES

for three year olds, $100 entrance, half forfeit, with $1,500 added, was the second race. There were 56 entries, of which 9 started, thus making the stake worth $4,900, from which $300 is to be deducted for the usual medal. The Belmont Stakes, a sweepstakes for all 3 year old colts and fillies, was established in 1867, by the late Mr. Belmont, and was won by Mr. Doswell's filly Winesap, the property of the late Daniel Stark, at Long Branch season at Long Branch, was made the favorite in the betting, on the strength of a favorable trial with Midday. Eastern Star, a filly in Col. McDaniels' stable, that has had pure blood in her veins but a few generations, was next backed, and Alroy, a colt by Australian, dam Dolly Carter, and chestnut colt Hubbard, by Planet, dam Minnie Mansfield; D. R. Harness' chestnut colt Meteor, by Asteroid, dam Maria Stone; John Chamberlin's gray colt, Brennus, by Lightning, dam Edith; D. J. Crouse's chestnut colt Business, by Revolver, dam Syren; W. Jennings' bay colt Cape Race, by Lexington, dam Zone; John Chamberlin's gray colt, Brennus, by Lightning, dam Brenna; and D. D. Withers' b e Blenkiron (imported) by Saunterer, dam Fe odorowna. Col. McDaniels' pair were the first choice in the pools, bringing in one pool (which may be taken as an average one) $1,300; Cape Race, $1,000; Shylock, $400; Midday, $400; Brennus, $115; field, $150. Cape Race, on the strength of his successful running at New Orleans (where he ran a second heat in 1:40 and won the next in that time), was supported, and Shylock, the representative of Mr. Swigert's stable, who won this Cameron stakes two years ago with Kinglisher, and ran second to Harry Bassett for if last year with Lockwood, did not lack for backers. Brennus, who, although entered by Mr. John Grimstead, who for sale, in his new owner's, Mr. John Chamberlin's beautiful colors, white and crimson spots, so popular and well known on the English turf as Lord Zetland's racing colors, had also some plucky friends, as had Midday, the latter being ridden by Harry Grimshaw, jockeys Mr. Chamberlin has recently imported. Hennessey had the mount on Cape Race, and little Rowe, who rode Harry Bassett in his races last year, piloted Joe Daniels, which settles the pulling powers of Meteor, who would not go up to his horses, delayed the start some little time, but at last Mr. Wheatley lowered his flag to a rather uneven send off. Cape Race took the lead, with Alroy second, Midday third, Meteor and Shylock following in the rear rank, and in this order they ran around the club house bluff out of sight. Re appearing in view, Cape Race was still leading, with Rounder second, Quintard third, Midday fourth, and the others in a cluster, except Blenkiron, who was far in the rear. Coming up the home-stretch, Shylock rushed to the front, and led past the stand, Meteor second, Cape Race third, Brennus fourth, Midday fifth, and Joe Daniels sixth, and shortly after disappeared from view behind the hill. Coming in sight, Ortolan was seen in possession of the lead, Alroy at his quarters, and Eastern Queen, Frank Ross, Quintard and Buckden closely following, then Midday, Tim Wise Sap, Mary Louise and Rounder, with Ortolan looked all over a winner, for he was galloping well within himself, and carrying his top weight gallantly. Frank Ross, who had been tried with the horses and pulled up, made a vigorous effort for the lead, but also did Quintard, both of them passing their horses and making hot sail after Ortolan. It was all in vain, for the gallant half brother to Harry Bassett won by the hand from Quintard, the latter by two lengths from Frank Ross, who was as far before Quintard. The latter was severely kicked by Vim, just before the start, on the fore shoulder, but for which it is possible he might have been closer to the winner. Time, 2:14, which is the actual winner's time, 2:13¾ fourth, and Winesap fifth. Time, 2:14, which, considering the heavy state of the course and the weight carried by the winner, was fully as good as Lexington's performance in 1865, when over this course in 1:20, beating Finesse, Haric (second and third), Reinorseless, Panchon and four others easily. He is a brown horse by Doncrail, out of Canary Bird (Harry Bassett's dam), and was bought by Mr. Jacobs at the sale of the Belmont yearlings in 1868 for $150. He ran unsuccessfully at two and three years old, and was bought by his present owners, Messrs. Carroll and Coar. Last year he started seven times and won four; two other of his performances being dead heats. He never before ran a mile in 2:00, which made the fastest time on record, 1:46½, the 1¼ mile handicap at Jerome Park, and a mile heat at Boston.

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BASE BALL.

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF PROMINENT GAMES.

PROFESSIONAL.

June 8th, Eckford vs. Mansfield, at Brooklyn.
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AMATEUR.

June 4th, Dramatic vs. Emerald, at Governor's Island.
June 8th, Gotham vs. Knickerbocker, at Hoboken.
June 7th, Champion vs. Silver Star, at Jersey City.
June 15th, Riverton vs. Philadelphia cricketers, at Riverton.

NATIONAL vs. ATHLETIC.

SPECIAL TELEGRAM TO THE NEW YORK CLIPPER.

PHILADELPHIA, June 3d, 1872.

The first championship game between the Athletics, of this city, and the Nationals, of Washington, was played this afternoon on the former's ground. The contest, although one-sided, was remarkably well played by both nines. McGeary caught for the Athletics, and Flowers played short stop, taking, for the first time, Matthews' place on the nine. The superb catching of McGeary, and brilliant fly catches made by Cuthbert, Mincher and Warren were noticeable above the general good play of the two nines.

A wild throw by Flowers gave the Nationals two runs, that being the only error of the Athletics, who earned five runs by good batting. The score:—

INNINGS.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	
National	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	2
Athletic	1	0	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	5

Umpire—Wm. McLean. Time of game—One hour and 55 min.

BALTIMORE vs. TROY.

On June 3d the Baltimore nine played their return match with the Troy nine at Troy, N. Y., in the presence of a large crowd of spectators, and taking the lead at the start, won with ease by a score of 19 to 12. The following is the score by

INNINGS.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	
Troy	0	2	4	0	0	0	3	3	0	12
Baltimore	1	7	3	4	1	0	1	2	1	19

Umpire—Theo. Bomeisler. Time of game—Two hours.

MUTUAL vs. MANSFIELD.

The return game between these clubs, which was played at Brooklyn on the Union grounds, L. I., on June 3d, in the presence of about 300 people, proved to be quite an exciting contest, the Mutuals only escaping defeat by the errors of their opponents, as when they went into their eighth innings the score stood at 4 to 3 in favor of the Mansfields. They managed to creep out of this tight place, and to win by a score of 6 to 4. A splendid double play by Eggler was noteworthy, Boyd making another lucky hit, as in the Athletic match. The score below gives particulars:—

MUTUAL.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.	MANSFIELD.	R.	I.B.	P.O.	A.
Eggler, c f	1	2	2	1	Clapp, c	0	1	5	1
Hatfield, 2d b	2	3	2	4	Buttery, r f	1	1	0	0
Start, 1st b	1	11	0	0	Beutley, p	2	0	0	3
Mills, r f	0	0	0	0	Murnan, 1st b	1	3	5	0
Hicks, c	0	2	7	1	Booth, 2d b	0	1	4	2
Boyd, 3d b	0	2	0	1	Tippen, 3d b	1	0	0	4
McMullin, l f	1	0	4	0	O'Rourke, s s	0	0	1	2
Pearce, s s	0	0	1	4	McCarton, c f	0	2	2	0
Cummings, p	0	0	1	0	Allen, l f	1	0	1	0
Total	6	19	27	12	Total	4	9	27	13

INNINGS.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th	
Mutual	0	2	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	6
Mansfield	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	4

Umpire—Mr. Thos. Macdiarmed, of the Resolute Club. First base by errors—Mutual, 4; Mansfield, 3. Runs earned—Mutual, 0; Mansfield, 2. Total fielding errors—Mutual, 7; Mansfield, 11. Unfair balls not called from Cummings, 6; from Beutley, 9. Time of game, 1 hour 40 minutes.

ATHLETIC vs. MUTUAL.

The Defeat of the Champions.—A Splendid Fielding and Pitching Game.

The first contest of the season of 1872, between the Athletic Club, of Philadelphia, and the Mutual, of New York, was played on the Union grounds, Brooklyn, L.I., on June 1st, in the presence of about 8,000 people, the utmost interest being manifested in the game, as on the result depended much of the *prestige* of invincibility claimed for the Athletics by their sanguine friends, while to the Mutuals the issue was more than ordinary importance. The weather was very favorable, both for the players and spectators, the sky being slightly overcast, the temperature pleasant, and no wind of any account prevailing. The field was in excellent condition, and both parties entered their full strength. A large party of Philadelphians were present, and not only did they invest with confidence on the Athletics, but even the New York speculators did likewise, pools selling at 100 to 40 on the Athletics.

A feature of this contest was the trial of skill between McBride and Cummings. For once the veteran under-hand thrower of the latter found an opponent worthy of his mettle, and an under-hand thrower fully as wide awake to the tricks of a strategic delivery as McBride himself; and moreover, as the younger was better supported in the field in one or two positions than the senior, the latter had to do more than his old-fashioned best to beat their adversaries, but in a contest like this it is not batting that wins as a general thing; it certainly did not win in this game, or the Athletics would have carried off the trophy. The fielding positions were equally well filled on both sides, except in one important instance; the play of Boyd at third base excluding that of Anson on the other side. This point and that at right field are very nearly on a par up to his usual standard, Pratt's swift balls seeming to trouble him a little. Joe Simmons was at his best, both at the bat and on the first base, on the Cleveland side, and he certainly displayed some fine work. Sweasy caught splendidly a couple of high flies in the right field for the Blue Stockings. The other players in the same nine did well in their places. For Baltimore, Craver and Radcliff, the former behind the bat and the latter at short field, showed the most skilful play. Mills also did as he always does—splendidly—at first base. "Cherokee" (Fisher) was not very active at third base, letting several warm grounders go by him. The others need no special mention. The style of play throughout was up to his usual standard, Pratt's swift balls seeming to trouble him a little. Joe Simmons was at his best, both at the bat and on the first base, on the Cleveland side, and he certainly displayed some fine work. Sweazey

THE HAUNTED LAKE.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY OWEN WILSON, JR.

Calm and peaceful as a maiden's dream,
The haunted lake gleams 'mid the lonely vale;
No paddle's dip its placid bosom mars,
Nor spreads the wild swan there his snowy sail;
The ignorant native, trembling, passes by,
And naught would temot him at the even fall
On its fair breast to speed his light canoe,
Where the giant shadows linger like a pall.

Fair and majestic its far flashing waters,
In their winding way, sweep onward, pure and free;
Unbroken reigns the silence deep around,
Where the light waves dancing, murmur to the sea;
No keel of boat doth ripple its fair breast,
Nor song of birds the slumb'ring echoes wake,
Where, pure as a dream, fell folded and serene,
Peacefully, calmly glides the haunted lake.

When eventide's soft sylvan shadows hover,
And long its shores the night-winds sadly moan
Moonlit it gleams amid the distant vale,
Shunn'd as a pest, horror haunted and alone.
No wild swan there doth spread his snowy sail,
Nor gleams the fire-fly 'mid the tangled brake,
But the whispering breezes, like a spirit's wail,
At twilight's hour steal o'er the haunted lake.

THE VARIETY REHEARSAL;
OR, THE
DEBUT OF A NEW TENOR.

A MATTER OF FACT SKETCH.

Frank Mellship, who had moved in what might be called club circles, and passed through many vicissitudes, determined to make his *debut* on the public stage as a singer; his fine tenor voice having been heard by Mr. Leweson, a variety manager of note, that gentleman had offered him an opportunity to appear before the footlights of his theatre, and Frank set out to find that establishment. After walking through a number of narrow and dark passages, he found himself at last in the Palace of Amusement and Aristocratic Lounge. Dingy and dirty by daylight it appeared. Plenty of light, to show the tawdry, gas and smoke tarnished state of the decorations, came in through a lantern in the great domed roof, for the place had once been a daylight exhibition. Mr. Leweson's company could therefore rehearse comfortably without the gas, except on very dark and foggy days. The features of the building struck Frank as something familiar. He had once been taken there as a child, when what is now a music hall had been the Lyceum. The place had now, however, tumbled down from its high estate, and in its fall had ruined half a dozen speculators before the genius of a Leweson made it pay. Frank looked round. It was the same place—he was sure of that; though how changed was all about him!

He remembered the great bare hall, with half a dozen dreary electric machines; the galleries, round which geological specimens were arranged; its side wings, where were displayed specimens of early type, botanical collections, and other dry and improving things. He remembered how,he had been led around, wearily yawning, with a party of girls who began by yawning, too, and ended by snapping at each other. And he remembered how his heart lightened up when they came to a refreshment stand, and everybody had a bun and cake. He rubbed his eyes and looked round. Yes—it was the same place; but where the electric machines had stood was now a stage, where the geological collection had formerly been was now a row of private boxes. The apparatus had all disappeared, only the refreshment room remained, and this was vastly increased and improved.

"Here we are," said Mr. Leweson. "This is where the loonatics come every night to stare and listen and drink. A mighty swell by looking on for half an hour or so."

"I have been here before," Frank began.

"Everybody comes here—it's one of the sights of London," said Mr. Leweson, interrupting him; "and the loonatics——"

It was Frank's turn to interrupt.

"I mean years ago, when it used to be called the Lyceum. I was a boy then."

"Phyon!" the proprietor whistled. "Ah! quite another thing. It was a Limited Li Company. It would have smashed 'em all up instead of being smashed itself, if it hadn't been. It has been lots of things since then. Nobody made it pay till I took it in hand. But, there, I must leave you and attend to my business—they want me. Go anywhere you like, only not on the stage just yet—you'd be in the way. The new *ballet* is just coming on."

Mr. Leweson left Frank in front of the stage, and disappeared himself down a trap-door in the orchestra. Frank took a seat in a box near the stage, and looked about him. The scene was new, and in novelty there is always interest.

The curtain was up. It revealed an immense stage, crowded with children, girls and men. The wings and drops were representations of the foliage of a forest of palms. In the background was a vast gold fan, which at night unfolded, and displayed Titania, Queen of the Fairies, reclining among her attendant sprites and fays.

In front, close to the wire fencing of the footlights, stood a little, mean table, covered with slips of manuscript. At the table sat the chief of the orchestra, marking alterations in the score with a piece of chalk pencil, sometimes from the manuscripts, sometimes without reference to them. By the conductor's side stood an iron music stand, three empty rush-bottomed chairs, and a fiddle in a case.

The rehearsal had not yet begun, and the girls were collected in little knots, always breaking up and re-forming, chattering together like so many grasshoppers, and laughing perpetually at nothing at all, and all out of the irrepressible gaiety of their hearts. At the sides of the proscenium were two sheets of looking-glass. These were a great source of attraction, and never idle for a second. Constantly, one or two of the girls would leave the rest, and, going in front of the glass, execute a few choregic gyrations quite gravely, no one taking the least notice of them, nor they of any one else. It was quaint to see them stalidly pirouetting, gyrating and posturing before these great glasses, each one totally regardless of the rest. The private practice and self examination by a woman's most faithful confessor accomplished, the young ladies would retire to their friends, and join in the never-ending chatter. Directly they left the mirrors, their places were seized by a lot of tiny children—girls—who, in ragged dresses, mere little children of the gutter, solemnly practiced dancing attitudes before the glass, put out their chubby little legs, and waved their little red arms. They never tired of looking at themselves. When their elder sisters came and turned them out, they fled like wasps from a honey pot. The moment the coast was clear, back they all came, tumbling over each other in their eagerness to be in the front, and began once more the children's imitation of their elders' vanities.

Frank looked at this lively scene with great interest. He had never seen a rehearsal before. From what he had heard of the young ladies of the *ballet*, he had been accustomed to regard them as melancholy victims of mistaken art—persons who were compelled by want to sacrifice their self-respect, and go through a nightly course of public posturing for the admiration of a foolish crowd. Now he met them in flesh and blood, he found all his original ideas knocked on the head, and so far from having no self-respect, they appeared to be full of it; so far from having any sense of humiliation, they evidently delighted in their calling. Of course, it will be seen that Frank was exceedingly inexperienced. At the same time, had he been the most hardened old *roue* that ever walked behind the scenes, he could not have be struck with the natural gaiety and light heartedness of the girls. It was all real, no affectation or false semblance. They were all happy, all laughing, all chattering, all dancing, running and capering about the stage.

The men and boys kept at the back. They were an exceedingly shady-looking lot. As it afterwards appeared, their business in the *ballet* was to come in and make gestures, to pick up fruit, to stand in attitudes, and perform other easy and elementary parts which belong to dramatic representation. The girls had nothing to say to them; they never spoke to the girls, but kept to themselves under Titania's great fan.

A little commotion among the crowd. It opened and made a way for Mr. Leweson, the master of the *ballet*, and his two assistants. The three professors of the art of dancing were French—that was patent at half a glance. The same sallow, shaven cheeks, the same cropped black moustache, the same height, belonged to all. As Mrs. Partington would say, they might all three have been twins. And this natural resemblance was heightened by their all appearing in bluish pilot jackets, rather tight fitting black trousers and cloth boots. Mr. Leweson signed to a pale man to open the fiddle case and begin.

"We've got lots of work to get through, Mr. Sauerharing"—the master of the *ballet* was an Alsatian by birth—"so let us get on. I want to see that *ballet* of butterflies perfect this afternoon."

"We'll, you shall see it."

"It's a very stiff job."

"Bah! pooh!" dissented Sauerharing. "It—is—not—thing."

"Glad to hear it."

"Psha! You shall see it pairfect, while you say one, two." He looked at the fiddler. "Go on," he said.

His assistants vanished among the girls, when they were seen at intervals among the crowds of *coryphees* setting good example. The fiddler struck up and the *ballet* commenced. The girls were dressed in all kinds of costumes. Some had their plain walking dresses of stuff or black silk, only with their bonnets and jackets off; some had the "bodies" of the dress—the skirts being removed—leaving them in soiled muslins; some wore a kind of short petticoat; one or two were in what theatrical critics call page dress, but what the girls call "shapes," such as they would appear in at night. They all wore silk stockings, some of them having on a kind of red gaiters, which Frank took to be elastic, and intended to strengthen the limb. He had noticed, previous to the rehearsal, one or two more conscientious artists than the rest engaged in diligently rubbing their ankles and the circumjacent regions. At first he could not make out the reason of this manœuvre, but was at length reminded of professional runners. Then he knew what it was meant for.

"Go an," said the *ballet* master, pronouncing the word as if he were an Irishman, "go an, lad-ees."

They went "an" in that vast hall, with one spectator—Frank—and to the scraping of the solitary fiddle. It marked time, but, for anything else, a battalion of guards might as well have marched to the sounds of one penny whistle, or a cathedral choir have been accompanied by a Jew's harp. They were learning the figures of the butterflies' *ballet*, and began the first with great vigor and energy. But they were not right about it. M. Sauerharing threw out his arms and trilled a prolonged guttural:—"Ah——h!—bah!—pooh!—phit!—tush!—psha!" he cried in a string, and then gave a "klick," like a whole cab rank starting in pursuit of a double fare. The music stopped. The ladies laughed. The professor said:—

"Stupeed! this is the step."

Then he capered solemnly in front of them.

"One, two; one, two—lal-lal-la, lal-lal-la; one, two, three, four."

Behind him a long file of *coryphees* imitated his movements. To Frank, Sauerharing's limbs seemed to be of India rubber as he shook them from side to side.

"One, two; one, two. Now, again."

The odd thing being that they never once stopped chattering to each other, and laughing. They were admirably drilled. Not one but kept her eye fixed upon the master—that is, one eye, the other being given up to seeing how the other girls were getting on. It was wonderful to see them catching the combinations and patiently working them out. As for patience, it was difficult to say whether the girls were more patient or the master more painstaking.

Presently the chief of the orchestra crossed the stage to M. Sauerharing. Directly the master turned to speak to him, the girls began to romp about, one after the other darting from the ranks and executing a pirouette on her own account in the centre of the stage, making believe to be for once a *premiere danseuse*. Then the master turned round and order was re-established.

Presently came the children's turn. A ragged regiment they were by daylight; at night, butterflies and moths—all spangles and gauze. Now, with muddy stockings and shoes full of holes, giving M. Sauerharing and *aides de camp* a vast deal more trouble to teach them one figure than their elder sisters would do in learning a dozen. Their drilling lasted half an hour at least; and at least once in two minutes the indefatigable and, as it appeared, ubiquitous Sauerharing stopped fiddle and children with his guttural, tremulant ah—h—h!" and reeled off the five expressions of his discontent he had learned from a phrase book of the English tongue in the paternal orchard in his own Alsace—

"Bah!—pooh!—phit!—tush!—psha!"

To him they were a word in five syllables, and he ejaculated them to a sort of tune, as an angry vocalist might sound his "do, re, mi, fa, sol."

Among the children, one little mite of about six years attracted Frank's attention. She had been the most assiduous while she was on the stage in ambling up and down before the mirrors. Now she led off the train of children with a precision and solemnity that were most edifying, executing her simple steps most carefully and conscientiously. The moment she was free again she ran off to the looking glass and practiced them over again, with many curtseys and salutes wonderful to see. That child will rise and be heard of in her profession, unless some unlucky accident cuts her off.

While this branch of the *corps de ballet* were practising figures and groupings, there came upon the scene one of the principal dancers, dressed as if for the evening, but without any flowers or jewels. She walked across the front of the stage, regarding the lower members of the profession with that stare that sees nothing. A mere *ballet* girl, a troupe of *ballet* girls, what could they possibly be in the eyes of M'lle Gelloni, from the opera house of Milan? In her hand she bore a small watering pot, with which she sprinkled the boards in front of the looking glass on the left, took possession of it, and proceeded to practice by herself. First, she turned round on the left toe, with the right leg a foot and a half above her head; then she performed the same manœuvre with her right toe and left leg; then she placed her foot as high up on the gilded pillar of the proscenium as she could, and kept it there; then she began arching her feet before the glass; then she went over the whole performance again—never disturbed by the others, who took no manner of notice of her, and never herself taking the least notice of the rest—all the while looking in the glass with a sort of curiosity, as if the legs belonged to somebody else. One or two other people, including a lady of immense proportions, in black velvet, came in and sat on chairs in front of the stage. The little children romped round the house and vaulted about over the backs of the seats. The unhappy-looking youths, in felt hats and greasy coats, at the back, went through the semblance of what they were about to perform at night in spangles and hodden suits. The assistant *ballet* master capered and danced all over the stage. The girls went through their drill again and again. No one got tired. The melancholy fiddler, whose strains produced a profoundly saddening effect on Frank, played on with the pertinacity and monotony of an organ grinder. The conductor of the orchestra made his notes on the music; the big lady in black velvet gazed on unweariedly; the manager, Mr. Leweson, came and went, bringing his big head upon the stage and taking it off again at intervals. At last he came round to Frank, with a portfolio in his hand.

"Always a delight to me to see the production of a new *ballet*. Now let us talk while they finish the rehearsal. You see, Mr. Mellship, the loonatics who come here like a *ballet;* not that they care, bless you, what it's like or what it means, so long as there's plenty of short skirts on the stage. But it must be a spectarcle! Another thing the loonatics that frequent this miserable Palace of Humbug like is the sight of somebody running the risk of breaking their bones. So we go in for a *trapeze* rigged as you see. But they must needs have a woman, so we've got the divine Giulia—Giulia Silvani—to perform with her father. I dare say they'll be round presently. Comic songs, of course, they must have. We've got the inexpressible Jones, and the incomparable and aristocratic De Vere. They only come at night, of course; but they go down with the loonatics."

He stopped, and began to look about in his portfolio. He produced a manuscript.

"Now, with a singer like yourself, there are only two lines open. You must give up altogether the notion that the loonatic wants music. He doesn't. He wants sentiment to make him cry, and patriotism to warm up his puny little heart, I'm ashamed of them, Mr. Mellship—I am, indeed. But what can I do? Here I am, after advertising you yesterday in all the papers, and sending sandwiches up and down the streets to-day——"

"Advertising me!"

"Yes. Look here; wonder you didn't see it as you came along."

He called one of the children, and sent her for: a bill. She presently returned with a flaming poster.

In addition to the
GALAXY OF NEW TALENT
already engaged, the Manager has great pleasure in announcing that he has secured, for a short time only, the services of the
New and Great Anglo-Italian Tenor,
SIGNOR CIPRIANO,
The Signor, who is well known to possess the finest tenor voice in the world, will sing
To-Night, and Until Further Notice,
THREE BALLADS
Every Evening at Half-past Eight and Half-past Nine.

Across this announcement was a colored strip, with "To-night" upon it.

Frank read it with a mixed feeling of annoyance and amusement. After all, it didn't matter. His new grand name was better, at any rate, than his own—if he must appear before an audience.

"I suppose it's all right," he said, doubtfully, handing it back.

"Of course it is; but the thing is what you're to sing. Now, I asked my man"—he meant a musical understrapper who composed songs for him, words and music, at a pound a piece—"to knock me off a little thing in imitation of the Christy's songs of domestic pathos—you know—like 'Bang the door gently, for mother's asleep,' 'Touch the place softly, my pretty Louise,' 'Father, come home, for mother is ight;'—charming songs, you know, with a chorus that would be encored a dozen, so as to bring the tears in the people's eyes. Now, what do you think he brought me this morning? Read that."

He looked at Frank curiously, while the latter read it and laughed. It was a song based on one of the humblest and most ordinary topics of "domestic pathos," and ran thus:—

"Let me spank him for his mother,
For the widow's heart is low,
And beneath the weeping willows
Still her wayward child will go.
Of the virtue that she followed—
He has spoiled his boots and hat—
While the sunset lights the meadows,
For his mother spank the brat."

"Vulgar and common, I'm sure you'd say so," said the Highead. "It's a pity, too. My man told me it was written in direct imitation of the great original—with whispered chorus, and all. See what a capital effect it would have. You in the centre, head held down in attitude of listening—so; voices behind—unseen, you know—'for his mother'—'for his mother'—'for his mother'—dying away, with a harp obligato to follow."

"I'll sing it if you like," said Frank. "What does it matter, if the people like it?"

"Ah, we must follow the loonatics, not lead 'em as I should wish," said Mr. Leweson, sighing. "Well, well—we'll have it, though it's a shame—it's a shame to ask a man with your voice to sing such a song. Now for the second—'The Bay of Biscay.' It will suit you well. They'll *encore* that; or, you may sing 'Then You'll Remember Me.' And now to try the room."

He led the way to the stage, had a piano wheeled in, sat down and directed Frank where to stand—giving him, at the same time, a few hints on the art of bowing to an assemblage of loonatics. The acoustic properties of the place were splendid. Frank felt as if he had never sung in his life before, as he heard his own voice filling the great building, and echoing in the roof.

"What do you think of that?" whispered Mr. Leweson to the conductor.

"How long have you got him for?"

"Two months' agreement first. I'm going to make him sign directly."

"How much?"

"Twenty-five dollars."

"Make it six months. You won't keep him a day beyond the term at twenty-five."

Frank finished.

"How was that, Mr. Leweson?"

"Very good—very good. A little softer at the finish; don't be afraid, they won't hear you, I'll have the chorus all right for you by the time you come this evening. Now for 'You'll Remember.' Come in, Patty, my dear. Where's your father?"

This was to a new-comer—a singularly pretty, modest-looking girl. He did not wait for an answer to his question, but began at once.

Frank finished the song, and Mr. Leweson clapped his hands in applause.

"That'll bring the house down, if anything will. Bravo, Mr.—I mean Signor Cipriano, you know. Now, look here—I'm not going to have you *encore* it, and spoiling your voice, to please a lot of loonatics, so they needn't think it. To-night you may do it. I shall go on myself and make a speech after it. You'll hear me. Patty, this is our new singer—a very different sort of the rest, as you'll find. Now, my dear, you're Giulia Silvani—only at home we call her Patty Silver, and she's worth her weight in gold, I can tell you. Here's her father."

Frank took off his hat and shook hands with the girl. Her hands were rough and hard, her fingers thick—he noticed that as she stood gloveless on the stage. But her face was wonderfully soft and delicate in expression; one of those faces—the features not too good, and perhaps commonplace in character—which one meets from time to time in the public streets—not the face of a lady at all, but, at the same time, a lovable and good face. She was different to the *ballet* girls, somehow—had none of their restlessness, did not laugh, did not jump about before the glass; stood quietly beside the piano, and just listened and waited. She was the female *trapezist*, and with her father performed the miraculous flying leap for life every night. Her little brother completed the talented Silvani Family, and, though yet of tender years, was admitted to a trifling performance on a small *trapeze* of his own, from which he could not fall more than twenty or thirty feet or so—a mere trifle to a child of ten. The family were special favorites of the manager, for some reason or other. His big head had a big heart connected with it, as more than one in the place had found out.

After singing his songs and receiving the suggestions of his employer, Frank went with him to his private room. A paper was lying on the table.

"That's your agreement, Mr. Mellship. You pledge yourself to sing tor me, and only me for two months, at a fixed salary of twenty dollars a week, at least three ballads or songs every night. I introduce you to the public, and have my profit out of the small salary you will get. You see, Mr. Mellship, I'm a plain man. I like your voice. I like your appearance. I am making terms advantageous to myself, but not bad for you. And if you were to go to anybody else you wouldn't get better for a first engagement. My conductor advised me to nail you down for six months, but I keep to my original terms. Treat me well, Mr. Mellship, and I'll treat you well. So there we are."

Frank signed his name, and went away, free until eight. After dinner, he smoked a pipe, and then, as the time was fast approaching, he dressed himself with considerable care, and walked to the Palace.

The place was crowded. Nearly every man had a glass before him, and a pipe or a cigar in his mouth. There were constant reports of "Waiter," constant popping of corks. The smell of tobacco was overpowering. The heat and the gas made the place almost intolerable. Frank stood at the side wings while a *ballet* went on—not that which he had seen rehearsed, but a simpler one, intended to open the evening.

"After this, the inexpressible Jones. After him, you," said Mr. Leweson. "I'll have him down a few pegs. He thinks he's got a tenor. With a voice like a screw."

The inexpressible sang. He was *encored*. He sang again. They wanted to *encore* him again. It was a charming pastoral, relating how he, the I. J., had been walking one evening in the fields with an umbrella, and had there met a young lady belonging to the same exalted rank among the aristocracy as himself; how he had held a conversation with her under his umbrella; how she had promised to meet him the next evening, provided he came with his umbrella; how he had kept his appointment, with his umbrella, and how she had not. It was a comic song, acted with an umbrella, so true to life that the loonatics shrieked with laughter.

When the laughter had quite subsided, it was Frank's turn to go on. Mr. Leweson was below, among the audience, contemplating his patrons with an air of undisguised contempt. He was the first person Frank saw in the mass of heads beneath and in front of him. For a moment he trembled and lost his nerve. Only for a moment. As the piano struck up, he managed to see the words that were swimming before him and plunged at once into his ballad of the domestic affections. The chorus was more than admirable—it was superb; an invisible chorus, in soft voices, murmuring the refrain like an echo—

"For his mother—for his mother—for his mother;"

and the people cried at the pathos.

"The loonatics," he heard the manager growling to himself.

The applause was tremendous. He retired amid a general yell of "core—core!" and re-appeared a moment after with flushed cheeks—for even the approbation of "loonatics" is something—to sing—

"Then You'll Remember Me."

Frank went home that night satisfied, if not happy. He was a great success at last—if only a success at a small salary.

A MADRIGAL TO LOU.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY JOSEPH B. GOMEZ.

Thou pretty little flower,
Blooming in love's enchanting bower,
Could I but wear thee on my breast—
Were thou but there for life to rest—
Happy would I be then,
Happiest among happy men.

Thou pretty little star—
Set in the mantled night, twinkling afar—
Could I but wear thee on my brow—
Were thou but there for life to glow,
Were thou but there to light my way,
So that I might not go astray—
The rugged path smooth would seem;
Life would be a pleasant dream,
And thy sole duty, dear,
Would be to light and cheer.

THE FLYING MAN.

THE BOSS CANVASMAN'S STORY.

WRITTEN FOR THE NEW YORK CLIPPER,
BY CHAS. H. DAY.

"'Am I the manager?' Well, that *is* a joke; me the manager! Look at that hand; better for swinging a sledge than wearing kids. I'm the boss canvas man sir. I won't brag, but they do say there's no better it the business. Ask O'Brien, Forepaugh, or any of 'em.

"Good show?' yes sir; that is to say, good for now-a-days—something of an old fogy, sir, like all the rest o' the old fellows you meet 'round 'yere say. Well no, not to my liking; too feared of spileing his confidence. I like to see a fellow what tumbles 'round the ring and makes the people holler. My 'pinion is, and I gives my 'pinion for what it may be worih, that if these Shakespearing jesters keeps on, the next thing we knows will be Edwin Booth a spouting Hamlet in the ring.

"Praps you may be right about that; I guess on the whole I do like the air business has improved; but, tush, its nothin' to what I seed when I was with my own eyes.

"'Mind tellin' you?' Oh no, I'm not busy now; I never have told this story but oncet before, and then I got laughed at for my pains, but seemins you are arnest about it, I'll tell you.

"When I was a youngster I was as fearless as the air, flying about the centre pole just like any bird; then he would shoot down, head first, almost to the ground, and then sweep up to the top of the canvas. It made me sick and dizzy like to look at him, and she covered up her eyes with her hands. By an' by he lit down beside us and took her hand in both of his and asked:—

"'Are you satisfied?'

"She gasped like, and set her fingers into my arms until they were black and blue for weeks.

"'No, no,' she said, 'it is a deception; you could not do it outside of the tent!'

"He smiled like, and said he, 'Come outside—I will show you;' and we three went out in the moonlight. It was beautiful like, and I shall never, never forget that night! I lived a hundred years in a minute when the sort of a baggage wagon at the edge of the lot; we stood under a big tree which made a dark shade like, but I could see that her face was, white like a corpse, and there was not a speck of blood in her lips.

"Frank gave a whoop, and then he sailed right up into the air like a balloon; three times he flew about the flag that flew on the centre pole, and then he turned and lit right in front of where we stood.

"'Do you believe it now?' asked Frank. She couldn't speak; her teeth was set like; he reached out his hand to take one of hers; she drew back close to me and said:—

"'Keep back! keep back! don't touch me! I don't love you!'

"He looked sad like, and said nothing, while his chest heaved powerfully. Just that minute I happened to think I had a letter in my pocket for him. I had got it at the post office on my way to the canvas to supper, and had forgotten to give it to him. When the post-master gave it to me I did not notice that it was in mourning; but as I took it from my pocket there I saw that the envelope was mourning edged, and covered with post marks and a foreign stamp. When Frank saw it he said 'Death,' terrible, solemn-like, and his fingers trembled as he opened it.

"He stepped back into the light of the moon and read it to himself. It was plain writ, and in bold black hand.

"'Sad news this,' said he; 'my father is dead. We were 'stranged years ago; the story is a secret of my own; there is from his solicitor to say that all his estate—he was rich—is left to me.'

"When he said this she pulled away from me and threw her arms about his neck; slowly he untwined them, and pushed her from him, saying:—

"'You do not love me; I hate you now!'

"She would have fallen to the ground had I not have caught her. 'Look, look,' said Frank, frightened like, and I saw oozing from her set white teeth a streak of blood and froth.

"'Poor thing,' said he, and he pitied her, for he had a good heart in him, he did. She died in my arms there, with the moon shining right in her white face. We carried her to the hotel, and there was a great commotion; the doctor said that she 'died of a bursting of a blood vessel superindooced by violent exercise on the tight-rope', and afterwards he printed a pam'flet on the onhealthiness of rope walking.

"To *my* thinking it was her bad heart that broke. 'What become of the flying-man?' He went back to England, and I never heerd of him again. I calkerlate he is a dook or a lord there. If he hadn't been of sech blood he'd made his fortin as the flying-man."

SHAKESPEARE'S BIRTHPLACE AND MUSEUM.—The annual meeting of the trustees of the Shakespeare Museum was held at Stratford-upon-Avon, on May 6th, Dr. Thomson presiding. The trustees announced a long list of contributions which will add materially to the attractions of the museum, and it was stated that a book-case made of old oak timber found in Shakespeare's house, carved by John Marshall with his usual taste, has been placed in the upper room, where it is ready to receive the valuable collection of Shakespearean books, comprising about three hundred volumes, so liberally presented by Mr. J. O. Halliwell. This collection has arrived at the birthplace, and is temporarily deposited in the record-room, but it will shortly be arranged in the bookcase. A main feature in it consists of voluminous unpublished annotations on the text of Shakespeare, illustrated by many thousand cuttings from old black letter books, as well as by numerous early engravings. The collection will not be thrown absolutely open to the public during the lifetime of the donor, but permission to consult it for special objects will be freely granted. The number of visi ors to the birthplace for the year ending April, 1872, exclusive of those who decline to enter their names in the visitors' book, may be stated at about 7,000.

QUOIT MATCH IN SCOTIA.—A match for £20 a side, between the celebrated William Macgregor, of Glasgow, and Mr. Williamson, the champion of Carron, near Falkirk, Scotland, came off on May 11th, at Carron. The conditions were 18 yards' distance, with quoits 8½in. in diameter, pins level with the clay, and nearest to the top to count, with all clay cleared away at measurement, stiff sticking clay ends. Macgregor giving Williamson 23 shots' start in it up. Ever since the match was made the backers of Williamson considered it a pretty certainty for their champion with the 23 shots start. The friends of Macgregor had, however, great confidence in him, and backed him for a good sum. At the commencement, the betting was 6 to 4 on Williamson, freely taken to a large amount. Macgregor, having won the toss, led off and took the first shot. Williamson got the next, then Macgregor got the lead again and made it a rgnt

and laughter. He pointed to the fact that the house adjourned only two hours on Ascension Day for divine worship, and now proposed to adjourn twenty-four hours for the Derby. It was incompatible with the dignity of the commons to recognise horse racing. The English race courses had introduced the most corrupt and insidious system of gambling which had ever disgraced any country. While he was opposed to this species of amusement, he believed in manly sports like international boat races, cricket, ride shooting, and other salutary competitions of human strength, skill, and pluck, and thought they should be encouraged. The motion for adjournment was carried by a vote of 213 to 58.

BASE BALL.

CHAMPION vs. GOTHAM.

These amateur clubs, of New Jersey and New York, played their first match on May 28th, at Jersey City, when the Champion's grounds were numerously attended by interested spectators. The weather was very pleasant and the grounds in as good order. The Gothams were short handed and unable to present all their nine in their Red Stocking uniforms. The Champions, however, had out their nine in the old grey dress and they opened play at the bat and began by punishing Murphy's swift and wild pitching for three earned runs, Willis, Maxwell and Collins getting four basers to left field. In the two innings they did not earn a run, but being assisted by wild pitches and passed balls, scored a total of 13 runs on six first base hits, while the Gothams were retired for four blanks, being unable to hit Willis' tearing and well delivered slows, even for a single base hit. In the 4th innings the Champions retired for two unearned runs, and the Gothams batted well for 4, two being earned. In the 5th the Champions scored three runs on a single base hit, a double play by Goodspeed being noteworthy. On the other side another blank was drawn, the totals at the close of the fifth innings being 18 to 4 in favor of the Jersey nine. In the last four innings, however, Cox went on to pitch slows in place of Murphy, and the Champions earned but one run, though they scored 5 more, the Gothams adding two by errors. The game finally terminated with the totals at 23 to 6 in favor of the Champions. The umpire was impartial, but not posted in the new rules, allowing no fewer than 56 unfair balls to be pitched uncalled. At one time four balls were pitched along the ground in succession, without one being called. This is in direct violation of the rules, just as much as if the umpire were to refuse to give a player out, caught on the fly. In play, Goodspeed was excellent on the part of the Gothams, Mason and Colwell made good catches, and Smith played well considering the wild pitching, which was the weak point. Hamilton did well at first base, he having wild throwing to attend to. Swab and Hall made some good stops, too, and Cox a good catch when pitching. On the champion side their infield play was the feature, they never having had their bases better attended to. They should, by all means, retain the men they had there in this game. Slouer is quite an acquisition, and Norton is the best third baseman the Champions have yet had that we have seen. Harvey, too, is a good short stop. Collins' catching was excellent, he putting out 11 players. Willis' pitching was effective, as usual, but the champions should have a change pitcher in case of need. The outfield was not up to the mark, except Beake's at left field. In the batting, Collins took the lead on one side and Hall on the other. The score:—

CHAMPION.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.
Green, s s	3	0	2	3
Beakes, l f	4	0	3	0
Willis, p	2	1	0	0
Maxwell, c f	2	1	1	0
Collins, c	4	4	10	1
Halpin, r f	2	2	0	0
Clark, 1st b	3	1	7	0
Norton, 3d b	3	2	3	0
Slouer, 2d b	1	2	0	4
Totals	23	15	27	8

GOTHAM.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.
Smith, c	0	1	4	1
Mason, c f	0	1	3	0
Hamilton, 1st b	1	1	9	0
Murphy, p	2	2	1	0
Hall, s s	1	3	3	2
Goodspeed, 2d b	1	1	4	4
Colwell, l f	0	1	2	0
Cox, r f	0	1	1	0
Swab, 3d b	1	0	0	3
Totals	6	11	27	10

INNINGS.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Champion	6	6	1	2	3	0	2	3	0—23
Gotham	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	2—6

Runs earned—Champion, 4; Gotham, 2. First base on errors—Champion, 13; Gotham, 3. Unfair balls not called—From Murphy, 35; from Willis, 16; from Cox, 5—total, 56. Umpire—Mr. Green, of the Star Club, of Jersey City. Time of game—2 hours and 20 minutes.

ALPHA vs. FALLAWAY.

These clubs played their first contest on the grounds of the former in St. Mark's place, Brooklyn, on May 25th. Bishop, Broome, Rule, Abbott and Thompson, played excellently for the Alpha, Bishop taking two terrific liners in succession, and Burton putting the whole side out by three well caught flies. Of the Fallaways, Messrs. Remsen and Saddler played well, Remsen taking a difficult fly with his left hand at left field. The point of the game, however, was the swift and effective pitch of Rule, and the plucky catching of Broome. The score:—

ALPHA.	R.	FALLAWAY.	R.
Broome, c	2	Shaffer, 3d b	0
Bule, p	4	Shearer, 2d b	3
Burton, c f	5	Smith, c f	3
Abbott, 1 f	7	Drew, p	3
Hogg, 2d b	4	Cameron, s s	5
Miller, r f	5	Sadler, c	2
Thompson, 3d b	5	Remsen, 1 f	2
Bishop, 1st b	3	M'Loughlin, r f	3
Dowd, c f	4	Brewer, 1st b	0
Total	39	Total	17

INNINGS.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Fallaway	1	0	0	4	0	2	5	4	1—17
Alpha	4	3	1	2	7	0	7	15	0—39

Umpire—Geo. Dunn, Star B. B. C. Scorers—Messrs. West and Shedley. Time of game—2 hours and 30 minutes.

OLYMPIC vs. MANSFIELDS.

At the City of Monuments, on May 28th, a game was played between the Olympics of Baltimore, and the Mansfields, of Middletown, Ct., in which the home club achieved a victory over their professional opponents from the land of steady habits and wooden nutmegs, by the following score:—

OLYMPIC.	1s.	R.	P.O.	A.
Hooper, r f	2	3	0	0
Barrett, c	1	3	5	3
McDonald, p	2	2	0	1
Worthington, r f	3	1	1	0
Graham, 1st b	1	2	11	0
Kohler, s s	1	2	3	5
Kernan, 2d b	2	1	5	4
Armstrong, l f	1	1	2	0
West, 3d b	0	0	0	0
Totals	15	15	27	13

MANSFIELD.	1s.	R.	P.O.	A.
Clapp, c	1	0	8	0
Bentley, p	2	1	0	5
Murnan, 1st b	2	1	15	0
Booth, 3d b	2	4	1	1
Tipper, l f	2	2	3	0
O'Rourke, s s	3	2	1	1
McCarton, c f	2	2	1	0
Fields, 3d b	0	0	0	1
Totals	17	13	27	18

INNINGS.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Olympics	0	0	0	4	1	7	3	0	0—15
Mansfields	0	2	0	0	1	7	0	1	2—13

Runs earned—Olympic, 6; Mansfield, 4. Umpire—Mr. Lennon, of the National, of Washington. Time of game—2 hours 3 minutes.

ATLANTIC vs. STAR.

These junior clubs, the former of Morrisania and the latter of Mount Vernon, N. Y., played a match on the old Union grounds near the Fleetwood track, Morrisania, on the afternoon of May 28th, in which the Stars met with an overwhelming defeat, as will be seen by the appended score:—

ATLANTIC.	O.	R.	STAR.	O.	R.
Towart, s s	4	4	Hines, c	2	3
McNally, 1st b	2	6	Jones, l f	5	0
G. Horn, p	0	3	La Place, r f	3	1
Cunningham, 2d b	3	4	Shanks, 1st b	2	1
Tuttle, l f	4	4	Glashan, 3d b	4	1
Geeks, 3d b	3	5	Patterson, 2d b	5	0
Coughlan, r f	5	5	Case, p	1	1
Delnos, c f	4	3	Booth, s s	3	1
Concannon, c	2	5	Real, c f	2	2
Totals	27	41	Totals	27	10

INNINGS.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	th	9th
Atlantic	19	0	6	1	1	7	3	2	2—41
Star	0	0	4	0	0	3	2	0	4—10

Umpire—Peter Geeks. Scorers—Atlantic, J. J. Horn; Star, Nicholas Levy.

The Atlantics are ready and willing to play any junior club in Westchester county.

RESOLUTE vs. ECKFORD.

On May 28th the Resolute co-operative nine of Elizabeth ousted the Eckfords at the Union grounds, L. I., and followed up their victory over the Atlantics by winning a ball from the Eckfords, thus defeating two of the championship nines. This is a good beginning. The score:—

ECKFORD.	R.	1s.	P.O.	A.
Hunt, r f	2	2	1	0
McDermott, p	1	1	3	1
May, 2d b	1	3	1	2
Allison, 1st b	3	2	5	0
Patterson, l f	1	2	4	1
Snyder, s s	1	2	2	2
Swandell, c f	1	2	0	0
Fleet, 3d b	0	1	0	0
Leutz, c	1	0	7	2
Totals	11	14	27	7

RESOLUTE.	R.	1s.	P.O.	A.
Austin, c f	2	2	0	0
Laughlin, 2d b	4	2	4	6
Farrow, c	3	3	7	3
H. Campbell, p	2	1	0	1
Parks, l f	1	2	1	0
Forsyth, r f	0	1	0	0
Wadsworth, s s	1	1	2	2
M. Campbell, 1st b	2	1	13	0
Crane, 3d b	0	1	0	3
Totals	14	13	27	15

INNINGS	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Eckford	3	4	0	0	0	0	3	0	1—11
Resolute	4	2	1	2	3	0	0	1	1—14

Runs earned—Eckford, 3; Resolute, 2. Umpire—Mr. Fulmer, Mutual Club. Time of game—2 hours and 40 minutes.

MAPLE LEAF vs. DAUNTLESS.

On Friday, 24th ult., the Maple Leaf, of Guelph, C. W., defeated the Dauntless Club, of Toronto, by a majority of thirteen runs. The day was wet and disagreeable; still that did not keep from 2,500 to 3,000 spectators from witnessing the game. The score:—

MAPLE LEAF.	R.	1s.	A.
Colson, s s	3	3	2
Smith, l f	3	2	0
Sunley, p	3	5	1
Hewer, r f	2	3	0
Nichols, c	1	2	3
Cross, 1st b	1	1	0
Maddock, 2d b	3	3	4
McLean, c f	2	1	0
Dorking, 3d b	4	4	3
Totals	22	24	14

DAUNTLESS.	R.	1s.	A.
C. Layton, c	0	1	0
Garthshore, r f	0	1	0
Noble, 2d b	0	0	0
Adams, l f	0	2	1
G. Layton, 3d b	1	1	0
M'Lauchlin, p	1	1	0
Borland, c	2	1	0
Henry, s s	3	1	0
Jackson, 1st b	2	2	0
Totals	9	11	6

INNINGS.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Maple Leaf	4	3	6	3	2	1	4	0	0—22
Dauntless	0	3	0	0	1	0	1	0	2—9

Runs earned—Maple Leaf, 8; Toronto, 1.

ATLANTIC vs. OLYMPIC.

The co-operative Atlantics played the amateur Olympics of Brooklyn on May 28th, with the appended result:—

OLYMPIC.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.
Riley, r f	1	0	0	0
Barnes, 3d b	4	1	0	0
Doscher, l f	2	2	3	0
Curtain, 1st b	2	1	2	0
McMahon, s s	1	2	3	2
Woods, 2d b	1	0	3	1
Burns, c f	0	0	1	0
Murray, p	0	0	0	5
McEwen, c	1	1	1	0
Totals	13	7	27	10

ATLANTIC.	R.	1B.	P.O.	A.
Remsen, r f	3	2	2	0
Burdock, s s	3	1	3	0
Barlow, c	4	3	5	1
Dehlman, 1st b	2	2	6	1
Ferguson, 3d b	3	0	1	0
Britt, p	3	1	5	5
Hall, l f	0	3	2	0
Kenny, 2d b	1	1	1	2
McDonald, c f	2	2	0	1
Totals	21	14	27	9

INNINGS.	1st	2d	3d	4th	5th	6th	7th	8th	9th
Olympic	1	1	4	0	1	1	2	0	3—13
Atlantic	5	0	3	2	4	0	3	4	2—23

Runs earned—Atlantic, 1; Olympic, 1. Umpire—Mr. Phelps, of Silver Star Club. Time of game—2 hours and 15 minutes.

BOSTON vs. CLEVELAND.

The following comments on the action of the umpire in the game with the Clevelands, on May 25th, we quote from the Boston *Herald*:—

The clubs were on the ground in due season, and Jupiter Pluvius not putting in his appearance, the game was commenced at 3.30 o'clock, with the Red Stockings at the bat. On the first innings one run was made by Barnes, who made his base by an error on the part of Holdsworth. A "blinder" was then admitted to the Blue Stockings, who quickly retaliated, in accordance with the old Nassau law, and were then again treated in the same way themselves. On the third innings the Bostons did something heavy in the way of batting, each of them making safe hits, with the exception of George and Leonard, while Gould and Schafer each made a two-baser. There was also some muffing among their opponents, and the combined results of good batting and poor fielding were eight runs scored after two men were out, one of them being earned. The Reds also scored once in the fourth innings. The Clevelanders, after being blanked in the first three innings, went in on the fourth, and from two safe hits Holdsworth and Peat made each a run. By this time the heavy mist had increased into rain, which, during the fourth innings, came down with a briskness which should have induced the umpire to call time. C. Mills, of the Mutual Club of New York, who acted in the capacity of umpire, did not see fit to suspend the play, however, and the "Reds" went in for the fifth innings. One man scored and the second striker was put out. The rain had now black-ned enough to be almost imperceptible, and the third striker was about to take his position at the plate, when the umpire called time, recalled the players from the field, and planted himself upon a bench. Captain Harry urged him to proceed with the game, the rain having now almost ceased, but the visitors objected, and shaking his head, Mills stuck to his seat and refused to budge an inch. At the end of ten minutes, during which the spectator strongly manifested their disapproval of the suspension, Mills arose and took his place, Rogers stepped to the home plate, bat in hand, and Hastings went behind. Another member of the Clevelands then approached the umpire with an obiection to the continuance of the game, and the umpire, with an appealing glance at the heavens, as though praying for the rain which still refused to come down, again retreated to his seat of dignity on the bench. For ten minutes more things remained in statu quo, much to the disgust of lookers-on, and then the rain did come in such volume as to render the completion of the game impossible, and the crowd dispersed grumblingly. Clearly the umpire violated the rules of the game in allowing the play to continue during the rain in the fourth innings. It was his duty at that time to call the game. Having allowed the play to continue during the rain, the question whether or not he was equally to blame in suspending it after the rain had ceased and refusing to go on for twenty minutes, in which time five full innings might have been played and the game thus completed, is one best answered by his own ideas of right, for which he is alone responsible. It is unnecessary to state that the attempted game does not count, and the Boston and Cleveland nines have yet to play their first game."

If this account is correct, Mills erred in not suspending play in the fourth innings, as the rules expressly required.

THE WESTERN BASE BALL CLUB, of Keokuk, Ia., has re-organized and formed itself into a stock association. The following are the officers:—President, J. E. Griffith; vice president, Chas. R. Daw; secretary, R. W. Maguire; treasurer, Wm. Doran; directors, Geo. Stahl, M. Ratineau, and D. Ryan. The nine have not yet been selected, but the club is out for practice three times a week and were to have been ready for challenges on the first of June. The Westerns have fine grounds, well enclosed, anticipate having fine games with the clubs from surrounding places, and hope to be able to have some of the representative professional clubs pay them a visit, says a correspondent.

THE VARIETIES CLUB, of St. Louis, has been re-organized and is now prepared to play all professional clubs visiting that city. The following is a list of their nine and officers:—Nine—Jas. Robinson, c; Dan'l Morgan, p; J. Welch, 1st b; J. Peters, 2d b; J. Waterman, 3d b; Jas. Barron, s s; Jos. Chambers, l f; Wm. Gorman, r f; Jos. Du Buque, c f; H. Willard and T. Grady, substitutes. Officers—F. Martin, president; C. Oberbeck, vice-president; Harry McNulty, corresponding secretary; Harry C. Noxon, financial secretary; Geo. J. Deagle, treasurer.

AQUATICS.

THE NATIONAL AMATEUR REGATTA.

The course on the Schuylkill river, at Philadelphia, upon which, in years agone, have been decided some of the most important professional sculling contests that ever took place in this country—notably the memorable matches between Hamill and Ward, and Hamill and Coulter—has of late increased in favor with the rowing fraternity, both professional and amateur, on account of its central location, sheltered position and picturesque surroundings. Last month witnessed the division upon its bosom of the inaugural public race in pair-oared boats upon American waters between the brothers Biglin and Coulter and Cavitt, while Tom Butler and Billy Scharff have signed articles to row for $2,000 there during the current week, and on the 13th and 14th inst., barring unfavorable weather, will be held a grand national regatta for amateurs, under the auspices of the Schuylkill Navy. Those who have been entrusted with the arrangements for this aquatic festival have been untiring in their exertions to render its success certain, and as their endeavors have been tolerably well seconded by amateur organizations in other sections of the country—not by any means as well as they deserved to be, however—the affair promises to be successful, and highly interesting to all who attend. The entries closed on May 15th, and below we present a complete list, from which it will be seen that abundant sport is provided for the two days:—

FOUR-OARED SHELL RACE.—1. *Vesper Association*, of Yonkers, N. Y.—John H. Keeler (stroke), Wm. McFarland, Owen Van Winkle, Thomas Fearon (bow); Howard Flagg, R. C. Elliott, substitutes. 2. *Nassau Club*, of New York city.—Grinnell Willis (stroke), F. G. Brown, Geo. S. Floyd Jones, F. W. Bacon (bow); J. H. Miller, Lindley Watson, J. B. Roberts, subs. 3. *Friendship*, of New York city.—Patrick Devine (stroke), Philip O. Biclin, Wm. Hurley, Thomas J. Allen (bow); Jos. L. McCahill, William J. Cotter, Jr., Thos. F. Gallagher, subs. 4. *Princeton College*.—H. B. Burt, (stroke), M. Smith, S. Williams, Jr., A. Devereux, Jr. (bow); A. Marquand, D. Nicoll, subs. 5. *Neptune Association*, of W. New Brighton, S. I.—Oliver Johnson (stroke), Joseph Murray, Nathan Barrett, Charles DeKay (bow); H. V. Wemple, sub. 6. *Quaker City*, of Philadelphia.—J. D. McBeath (stroke), E. Reyburn, C. B. Adams, Frank Wood (bow); R. D. Stinson, sub. 7. *Crescent*, of Philadelphia.—W. C. Rehn (stroke), H. F. Witmer, W. C. Brown, T. B. Harper (bow); C. E. Steel, S. A. Welch, subs. 8. *Gulick*, of New York city.—W. H. Gannon (stroke), T. Moore, W. H. Spear, R. B. Deeley (bow); W. Burns, sub. 9. *Couper*, of Savannah, Ga.—George Haines (stroke), O. G. Kimball, Hal Schley, James Schley (bow); Jas. Bryant, Geo. Schley, subs.

PAIR-OARED SHELL RACE.—1. *Nassau Club*.—Crew to be selected from four-oared shell crew named above. 2. *Friendship*.—Thos. J. Allen, Jas. S. Murray. 3. *Quaker City*.—Crew selected from four-oared shell crew named above. 4. *University Club*.—S. W. M. Peters, L. Taylor Dickson.

DOUBLE-SCULL SHELL RACE.—1. *Crescent*.—W. A. Steel, C. E. Steel. Selah H. Clarke, of Undine B. C., sub. 2. *Atalanta*.—Eben Losee, A. S. Swan.

SINGLE SHELL RACE.—1. *Pennsylvania Club*, of Philadelphia.—John Lavens. 2. *Vesper*.—Thomas Fearon. John H. Keeler, sub. 3. *Gulick*.—R. B. Deeley. 4. *Secanhaka*, of Greenport, L. I.—George Englehardt. 5. *Kingfisher*, of Boston.—Thos. F. Doyle, Jr. 6. *Atalanta*.—Eben Losee. 7. *Atalanta*.—Alden S. Swan. 8. *Gulick*.—W. H. Gannon. 9. *Neptune*.—Oliver Johnson.

FOUR-OAR GIG RACE.—1. *Nassau*.—Same crew as four-oar shell. 2. *Crescent*.—Same crew as four-oar shell, with W. A. Steel as cox-wain. 3. *Quaker City*.—Same crew as four-oar shell, with G. W. Parker as coxswain. 4. *Malta*, of Philadelphia.—Crew to be selected from barge crew named below. 5. *Couper*.—Same crew as four-oar shell.

SIX-OAR BARGE RACE.—1. *Oneida*, of Jersey City.—W. S. Walsh, V. D. Schauck, D. S. Gregory, W. O. Pearson, D. Henry, C. H. Heford. F. H. Curtis or W. E. Lernan, coxswain. George Ockershausen, L. T. Montgomery, J. P. Hardenbergh, subs. 2. *Crescent*.—W. S. Haines, H. K. Hinchman, H. R. Barnhurst, A. Spering, E. Thompson, W. Barnhurst, L. Boswell, coxswain. W. C. Rehn, H. F. Witmer, W. C. Brown, T. B. Harper, C. E. Steel, subs. 3. *Malta*.—J. McCurdy, T. Willoughby, J. L. Ilman, W. A. Jebb, L. O. Hopper, E. Ilman. P. J. Hoffiger, coxswain. E. Lukins, S. H. Ilman, subs.

The officers of the Navy and committees appointed for the regatta are as follows:—Commodore, Henry B. Coxe; vice commodore, Jas. M. Ferguson; secretary and treasurer, Wm. Steel; general regatta committee, Jas. M. Ferguson, Frank W. Murphy and W. R. Tucker; reception committee, L. Taylor Dickson, chairman, 307 Walnut street; Edward S. Miles, George W. Parker, William Burnham, Carey N. Sanders, and Nicholas Thouron. All communications respecting accommodation and transportation for crews and boats should be addressed to the chairman of this committee, Police Committee.—Dallas Sanders, chair., 222 South 4th street; N. Thouron, P. Hoffiger, W. A. Steel, Geo. W. Parker, A. C. Hamer and C. G. Petersen. Barges under the control of the members of the above committee will patrol the river while the races are progressing, for the purpose of maintaining a clear course. This they can readily do, as the Park Commissioners have given them entire control of the river. Committee on Stakeboats.—Austin Street, chairman, Corinthian avenue, above Coates street; P. Hoffiger and J. B. Leibert.

DORCHESTER YACHT CLUB REGATTA.

First to take the field—or rather the water—among the yachting organizations of Boston and vicinity, has been the Dorchester Club, who opened the season in Dorchester bay on Monday, May 27th. Pretty much all the yachts of the club which have been fitted for sailing were entered, and most of them started, the schooner Phantom, Capt. Hunt, not going in consequence of an accident. The wind was quite fresh from the southeast when the first gun was fired, at 2.40 o'clock, this being the signal for the first-class centre board and keel schooners and sloops to start, and five centre-boards with two keel schooners and four sloops, went away together, two or three of them having taken a reef in their mainsails before they slipped their cables. The Kelpie and Scud appeared to get a little advantage after going half a mile, but the Pacer was close up with them, and it was a very hard matter to predict which yacht would win when they were lost to sight from the club house. In fifteen minutes after the first gun another was fired for the second, third and fourth class centre-board yachts to get under weigh, and four of the second class, three of the third and four of the fourth class got away excellently well together. The distance to be sailed by all but the fourth class was about nine and a half miles, over the following course:—Down Dorchester bay, leaving Cowpasture bar buoy on the port; Old Harbor buoy on the starboard; black buoy No. 7 on the starboard; spectacle Island on the port; Sculpin Ledge buoy on the port; red buoy No. 6 on the lower middle on the port; Cowpasture bar buoy on the starboard, to the judges' boat. The course for the fourth class was five and a half miles, as follows:—Down the bay, leaving Half-tide rock buoy on the port; Old Harbor buoy on the starboard; rounding black buoy No. 7 to windward; leaving Cowpasture bar buoy on the starboard to the judges' boat. In rounding Sculpin Ledge buoy the schooner Susie ran into the Ripple, and tore her mainsail so badly that her crew had at once to double reef it, and this threw her out of the race, so that she did not go the entire distance. The Scud had a portion of her mast carried away with her balloon jib, and the Owl had to return to her moorings soon after starting, a portion of her rigging having got out of order. The prize for the first class centre boards, a set of charts, was won by the Kelpie, Capt. Capen; that for keel schooners, a barometer, by the Susie, Capt. Wales; keel sloops, a silver pitcher, by the Fearless, Capt. Colburn; second class centre boards, a barometer, by the Fanny, Capt. Dean; third class centre boards, a silver pitcher, by the Hebe, Capt. Burgess; fourth class centre boards, an anchor, by the Bessie, Capt. Whitney. Commodore Coolidge Barnard, H. B. Jackson and F. L. Willard acted as judges. A collation was given by the commodore and Capt. Adams on board the Pacer, after the race, when the prizes were delivered to the successful yachtsmen.

YALE BARGE RACE.

On May 29th the annual barge race of the Yale University Club took place over the three mile turning course in the harbor at New Haven, Conn. Mr. C. H. Owen officiated as referee, and the judges were W. L. Cushing, D. Davenport, C. T. Morse, D. J. H. Wilcox and C. H. Thomas. The crews were as follows:—

Scientific School.—R. W. Davenport, New York city (stroke); J. P. Nevins, Waterford, Conn.; F. Cogswell, Marbledale, Conn.; H. H. Buck, Orland, Me.; C. D. Hill, Calais, Me.; O. J. Smith, New York city (bow); H. S. Hoyt, Stattsburg, N. Y. (coxswain).

Junior Academic.—H. A. Oaks, New Haven, Conn. (stroke); H. Meyer, Pittsburg, Pa.; C. A. Russell, Worcester, Mass.; S. Merritt, Stamford, Conn.; F. D. Allen, Worcester, Mass.; S. L. Boyce, Chicago, Ill. (bow); F. H. Wright, Portland, Me. (coxswain).

Sophomore Academic.—C. D. Waterman, Detroit, Mich. (stroke); H. G. Fowler, Stoneham, Mass.; W. O. Henderson, Marysville, O.; G. E. Monroe, New York city; H. D. Bristol, New Haven, Conn.; J. A. R. Dunning, New York city (bow); L. S. Boomer, Chicago, Ill., of Senior Class (coxswain).

Freshmen Academic.—F. T. McClintock, Pittsburgh, Pa. (stroke); A. S. Irwin, Sewickley, Pa.; W. R. Richards, Litchfield, Conn.; C. F. Cutter, Princeville, Ill.; T. R. Selmes, Quincy, Ill.; J. A. Post, Newburg, N. Y. (bow); Gilbert Ward (coxswain).

The Scientific crew allowed the Juniors 30 seconds, the Sophs 25, and the Freshmen 15; while the latter conceded 15 seconds to the Juniors and 10 to the Sophs, who allowed the Juniors 5 seconds. Half-past six o'clock P. M. was the time announced for the start, but the roughness of the water occasioned nearly an hour's delay, and prevented the University crew from venturing out, as their boat sat very low in the water. Much regret was expressed on this account, as their absence detracted greatly from the interest of the contest. The remaining four crews got off in good style, the Scientific crew taking the lead a trifle. On the way down the Freshmen fell behind, and before the turning stake was reached they were virtually out of the race. The Sophomore and Scientific crews turned the stakes together and remained nearly even all the way home, the Juniors falling back slowly, and the Freshmen bringing up the rear. The Scientific crew came in in 21 minutes; the Sophomore crew in 21 minutes 4 seconds; Junior crew, 21 minutes 47 seconds; Freshmen crew, 22 minutes 10 seconds. The handicap gives the race to the Sophomores.

SOUTH BOSTON YACHT CLUB.

On Tuesday, May 28th, was held the opening regatta of this club, and although the number of yachts competing were small—nine in all, divided into three classes—it was interesting to both participants and spectators. The starters were as follows:—First class.—Starlight, Com. F. S. Wright; Elsie, Capt. E. D. Robinson. An allowance of five minutes was made to the Elsie. Second class.—Queen Mab, Capt. P. Coyne; Ripple, Capt. J. B. Leonard; Volante, Capt. E. W. W. Hawes; Cyclu, Capt. H. W. Smith. Third class.—Come, Capt. A. P. Holbrook; Petrel, Capt. W. F. Halsall; Unique, Capt. M. J. Kiley. The course adopted was that designated as No. 1, being from the judges' boat up Dorchester bay, leaving red buoy No. 4 on the port, Thompson's Island on the starboard, black buoy No. 7 on the port, red buoy No. 6 (lower middle) on the port, Fort Independence on the port, black buoy No. 9 (upper middle) on the port, between Fort Independence and South Boston, passing the judges' boat to windward. The judges were—Messrs. L. G. Peirce, William Tyner, C. F. Annan, P. J. Hyde and G. G. Morris, and they were stationed on board the Hattie, Capt. Christian, off the club-house. The rain of the early forenoon somewhat interfered with the arrangements and delayed matters so that it was nearly half-past two o'clock when the signal gun called the boats of the first class into line. Ten minutes later another gun sent them on their way, and it was seen that only two contestants, the Starlight and the Elsie were under way. The latter took the wind free, and for a short distance drew ahead, though the Starlight soon drew alongside, and as the two went out of sight had a considerable lead. Ten minutes after the first start the second class were sent away, and ten minutes later still the third class got off. Shortly before o'clock, the first class boats came in sight on the return, the Starlight coming home ahead of her competitor by a few minutes, and the other classes following after a short interval. The first class prize winners were the Starlight (by two minutes), Queen Mab and Come; second class, Elsie, Ripple and Petrel.

UNION BOAT CLUB, OF BOSTON.—This, the oldest rowing organization at the Hub, opened the season on the Charles river on Saturday, May 25th, upon which date the club attained the twenty-first year of its existence. The occasion was celebrated by two races, which were rowed in presence of an assemblage much smaller than usual, owing to the threatening weather. The races are here with summarised:—

Union Boat Club Regatta, Charles river, Boston, Mass., May 25th.—Four oars, two miles; prize, silver cup.

No. 1.—H. A. Stevens, stroke; I. H. Houghton, E. H. Ingalls, H. Williams, bow. Time, 14min. 18sec.

No. 2.—G. F. Simpson, stroke; W. H. Burlen, L. W. Burlen, E. Patridge, bow. Time, 13min. 7 sec.

Same Day.—Single sculls, two miles; prize, silver pitcher.

H. A. Stevens	17m. 45s.	J. G. Francis	18m. 5s.
*E. H. Ingalls	17 15	T. Goddard	18 30
T. J. Gray	18 37		

*Ingalls rowed in a very heavy boat, and, by the rules of the club, was allowed 15 seconds, the above time being that made with the allowance.

O'NEIL SENDS FORTH A CHALLENGE.—Finding it impossible to induce Tom Fearon to emerge from his seclusion and again meet him in a trial of oaric prowess, James O'Neil, the Troy oarsman, comes out boldly in a challenge to row any amateur oarsman in the United States a race of three miles, for a prize to be hereafter agreed upon. He fixes the time of rowing at from four to six weeks after the date of acceptance of this defi. As Fearon seems so shy of tackling O'Neil, perhaps some one else will accommodate the Trojan.

AUGUSTA, ME., ROWING ASSOCIATION.—A meeting of the above named organization was recently held, at which the following officers were chosen:—President, J. N. Haynes; vice president, A. J. Pierce; secretary and treasurer, T. P. Shaw; board of directors, Nat. Abbot, W. T. Angell and C. F. Swan. A new boat-house is in course of erection.

THE FARRAGUT CREW for the present season is composed of F. Goodhill (bow), Charles Wolf (No. 2), Henry Ives (No. 3), Michael Wilson (stroke); Florence Linz, (coxswain). They are practising on the bosom of the Harlem river.

JAMES TAYLOR, the trainer of Bob Bagnall, presented the latter with a gold watch on May 16th, to commemorate his victory over Mark Addy, as well as a token of respect and esteem.

JOSH WARD is giving the Nassaus the benefit of his knowledge in their training for the approaching national amateur regatta. Gil is engaged by the Yale University Club.

THE Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Boat Club's regatta will be held on the Hudson, at Troy, N. Y., on June 8th.

WM. SMITH, Jr., and Frank Pierce rowed two miles on the Genesee river, below the lower fall's, Rochester, N. Y., on May 24th, the latter winning by three lengths.

THE champion pennant of Dean Academy, Franklin, Mass., was won by the Academy crew from the Seniors on May 25th. They came in 3½ boat lengths ahead.

THE SCHOONER YACHT SAPPHO arrived at Cowes, Isle of Wight, on May 12th, after a passage of 18 days, 3 hours and 12 minutes.

THE annual review of the Laureate Club, of Troy, N. Y., will be held on June 11th.

THE GAME OF CHESS.

DEATH OF MAJ. JENISCH.—Not merely the chess but the whole scientific world will be startled to learn of the death of this distinguished gentleman. Born in 1813, educated in the imperial schools, he attained the rank of major of engineers, and aulic councillor of the empire. Maj. J. was an original and acute thinker, an exhaustive and thoroughly indefatigable analyst. Having touched a matter, especially if he believed an old fallacy was to be exploded, or a great discovery to be established, he never left it till probed to the bottom. Witness his "*Nouvelle Analyse*," supplemented by his many wonderfully elaborated analyses since given in various magazines; his "*Application of Mathematics to Chess*"—and lesser numerous opera. This is a loss that will be felt as long as the present generation of active men shall remain. It is startlingly sudden, and we, at present, know nothing of the particulars. The great Russian duo, Petroff and Jœnisch, taken so near together!

GREAT MATCHES.—The era of really absorbing matches seems about to be revived. In addition to Paris *vs.* Marseilles, and the Hague *vs.* Amsterdam

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Introductory Overture.

MONDAY, June 3d, '72.

While the old season is quietly making its exit, preparations for the fall campaign are already going on, and in a few weeks managers and people will form a conjunction in this city, the headquarters of the profession, for the interchange of dramatic notes and queries concerning the coming season. *Good* actors are in request, at a slight advance on previous quotations, as our commercial reporters would say, while those of humble birth and moderate pretensions are slow and dull of sale, managers and stock holding off for better rates. The firmament of stars promises to have many additions to its already extended galaxy, for it has been demonstrated by actual observation that many of the little people who used to make themselves generally serviceable at ten and twelve dollars per week, have made out right well by traveling through the provinces as stars, doing sensational business to the delight of the denizens of the rural and other districts. In this city we are going to have grand times, and as competition is the life of trade we are sure of brisk business in those establishments that put forth the most attractive programmes and secure the most costly stock stars. What with the Grand Opera House, under its new management; the re-opening of the French Theatre, under the direction of Mr. Fechter; the conversion of the Olympic into a "star" cemetery, as it was in the days of the Fifth Avenue; the transformation of the Union Square Theatre into a temple of the drama on the square; and the re-construction and resurrection of Niblo's under the most favorable auspices, we may truly look forward to a revival in the way of amusements of a more than usually animated character. *Some* of the knowing papers that swallow all they have given out that Daly's vegetable piece, the "King's Carot," to be unearthed at the Grand Opera in September, is to cost about one hundred thousand dollars before the curtain is raised on the initial performance. This is a reckless newspaper expenditure, and we propose to cut it down about two thirds and let go at that, which will be doing very well for the "Carot" play.....In case any of our dramatic friends are in want of an appropriate epitaph in view of an early decease, we would suggest the following:—

"Green be the boys *(boise)* above thee,
Friend of our earlier days."

.....Somebody offered Jim* the position of call boy in one of our city theatres, but the lad declined, because it was too much like a dissector's trade, since he would have to take every actor *a-part!*.....A retired actor, who is now sojourning among the cool, umbrageous rills, and vales, and glades that poets fasten on to so often to make rhymes of, sent us a piece of poetry the other day entitled "Noah's Ark." It was so full of letters are in a reeling condition, showing the author-actor to have been on a lark when he wrote them, we were compelled to return the MS. to the source whence it emanated. Since Horace Greeley's nomination, everybody seems to be trying to see how crooked and unintelligible they can write, in imitation of that nominee.....And still they come. Here is a circular containing letters asking for information how to become actors, and the readiest means of getting upon the boards. This thing has got to be stopped, for we haven't any time to "answer by mail," as they all, very innocently, wish us to do. Now here is a chap that seems to have made up his mind to do something, and he goes at us in such poetic style that we must "grant him a hearing" through the public press:—

I'm *bound* to be an actor,
I don't see why I can't;
I'm *sure* I'm quite as smart as half
That for distinction pant;
I'm tall and straight, and in my gait
Call Cooke and Kean to mind,
And have a voice that can outroar
The fiercest howling wind;
Yet when I crave a chance, I'm told
"That sort of thing is *played*."
Well, let her went—I'll fetch 'em yet,
I will, by Bach's cold shade.

.....There are certain people in the world who are always busying themselves about other folks' business, and tryin to find out what doesn't concern them. Now it was only the other day that one of these inquisitive chaps, in Illinois, got round a well-traveled showman, asking all sorts of questions, and worming himself in so as to get at the secrets of show life. So, what's he do, bless you, but ask the showman if he ever saw anybody scalped, in his travels. Of course he had, hundreds of 'em, and this lying showman, and then this jobby old party wanted to know how it was done; so the other man said he would show him, you will understand. And then he grabbed the man by the scuff of the hair, real Indian like, and drew the back—as *he* thought—of his bowie knife around that inquisitive man's head, and cut off his scalp just as clean as a new pin, leaving the poor, unconscious fellow, the sharp edge, instead of the back. The scalped man now goes about the streets real lonely and down-hearted, and he is never heard to ask any more questions.....As we wandered through our city hall park, the other day, and drank in refreshing draughts of the sweet perfumes of new mown hay and one thing or another which permeate the atmosphere of that neighborhood, and as we gazed upon the sparkling fountains in the basin, with their waters in devious and eccentric ways, our thoughts enthoosed with pious thankfulness, and as we sat and saw and enjoyed the lovely sight, with a back view of the new post office in the distance, the free spirit of poesy took possession of our translucent mind, and these sweet and truthful lines broke forth in one deep and spontaneous outburst:—

BEAUTIES OF NATURE.*
How pleasant it is for to sit
By the side of a nice little fountain;
Its better than to sit up and sit,
And climb to the top of a mountain.

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.....Dear friends, many of you will get sick during the summer season, and degraded physicians will order you nauseous castor oil, to be taken raw; but don't you do it. We'll tell you how to take it so that you will never taste the abominable oil. Go into Hudnutt's, or Ditman's, or any of those great medicine stores where they sell soda water and such stuff; get them to mix you a dose of the detestable oil in a glass of soda water; drink it down, and you cheat the doctor of his enjoyment, for so far as you know nothing but the soda.....They do say that Mr. Pike has in contemplation the building of a new theatre at Broadway and Twenty-third street, right in the heart of the city, as it were, where our merchant princes and moneyed aristocracy have their abiding places, and where mammon rules the roost and crows over the misfortunes of fallen humanity, no doubt. Well, if this report be true, then in Mr. Pike and in the situation we have the right man in the right place, for the Grand Opera House, at Eighth avenue and Twenty-third street, is an evidence of the taste and liberality of that gentleman when he undertakes to add to the architectural beauty of our city, for that theatrical edifice is one of the most beautiful structures of the kind in the world. So let us all chew oats for Pikey, and encourage him by every means at our command to go on with his threatened theatrical irruption, and thereby contribute to the ornamentation of our metropolis.....The title headings of some of our popular songs, as they appear in a publisher's list, suggest a train of reflection, and any number of corresponding rejoinders. "Will You Come to Me, Darling?" might draw out the rival response of, "O, Yes, I Will Go for You, Love!" "Come, Rest in This Bosom, My Own *Stricken Dear*," might be fitly answered by "Cuddle Me Close, and I'll Pardon the Blow." "What are the Wild Waves Saying?" would bring the rejoinder, "Heave, Oh! Heave, Oh." "Will Thou Love Me Then as Now?" would come back with, "I'll Love Thee Forever, My Fond One, Mine Own!" and "Where art Thou Roaming, Love?" with "I'm Afloat, I'm Afloat, on the Deep Rolling Sea!" "Come and Kiss Me," with "Shoo, Fly, Don't Bodder Me!" "Don't You Go, Tommy," with "I Would if I were You;" "Walking by the Seaside," with "I'd like to be a *Swell*;" and "Whither Have the Loved Ones Gone?" with "Up in a Balloon." If folks could only converse in such language wouldn't it be delightful?.....The Gilmore Jubilee is beginning to be talked about a little, but the interest therein does not seem so widespread as that attending the original big sing, because *that* was a novelty. It was a bad go, too, for the enterprise, when the building fell through. You see some inflated editors undertook to *blow it up*, as you may remember, when the other wind instruments came along, gave it a *puff*, and *blew it down*, so that the musical curiosities will not be presented to us in the original package.....People who go up in balloons should steer clear of the water. Last year there were two or three latter day ascensionists who went up all right, but when they came down they were hard shell baptists, and converts to immersion. One day last week Prof. Atkins ascended for the amusement of the outside crowd at a circus in Decatur, Ala. The balloon and aeronant were carried out over the water, and the man was drowned.....We know a man who, only ten years ago, was a poor utility actor, doing his little biz for only nine dollars a week in one of the eastern theatres. He worked hard, but couldn't get ahead, and he became a good deal discouraged about things and couldn't eat much, and his friends got worried about him. One day, while reading the *Tribune*, this poor young man saw one of Horace Greeley's articles advising young people to "go west, where fortunes awaited them." The poor player rolled this bit of advice over in his mind, like it was a delicious morsel, and he pawned all his clothes and stage jewelry and finally together barely enough to make him to the rich lands of the west as a sort of steerage passenger. That was ten years ago, you will remember, during which time we had lost track of that young man, and imagined that he had committed suicide, or died one of those unnatural deaths which are so common out there. Judge of our surprise when, on last Saturday, the bronzed features of our quondam friend greeted us in our sanctum, and the hard hand of the returned one clasped our's in true western fashion; the once *poor* player sat down and recounted to us the perils and dangers he had passed through in his wild western life, and, in a voice tremulous with emotion, he concluded his touching narrative by asking if we could *lend him a quarter!* We were never so taken down in our life before, and, like our returned friend, we don't have the same faith in the teeming lands of the west as we once had.

City Summary.

AT WALLACK'S THEATRE Robertson's comedy of "Home" was revived on May 27th, the only changes in the cast being Mrs. Pinchbeck, now acted by Miss Plessy Mordaunt, and Dora Thornhaugh by Mrs. Fanny Foster, the latter's acting being fresh, charming and natural. Miss Mordaunt was not so successful in her portrayal of Mrs. Pinchbeck. The comedy was followed by the "Critic; or, a Tragedy Rehearsed," in which Mr. Charles Mathews acted in an excellent manner Sir Fretful Plagiary and Puff. The balance of the cast was the same as on its previous production. This programme was continued until Saturday evening, June 1st, when Charles Mathews took a farewell benefit, when the "Captain of the Watch" and H. J. Byron's comedy of "Not Such a Fool as he Looks," constituted the attractions, and with the performances of that evening the regular fall and winter season, in this city, of the Gaiety, was at the close. The summer season will be inaugurated under the management of Theodore Moss, when the "Long Strike" will be re-produced. We append the following summary of the past season's business:—

The season opened Sept. 30th, 1871, with the following company and officers:—Lester Wallack, Charles Mathews, John Brougham, Charles Fisher, J. B. Polk, B. T. Ringgold, G. F. Browne, E. M. Holland, J. Quigley, John Gilbert, J. H. Stoddart, H. Montgomery, Charles Rockwell, J. Peck, J. Curran, the Misses Plessy Mordaunt, Clara Jennings, Emily Rigl, Rose Tracy, Flora Clayton, Blanche Hayden, McCormick, Effie Germon, Lizzie Johnson, Blaisdell, Estelle Rowe, Langdon and Mrs. John Sefton. Manager, Lester Wallack; acting manager, John Gilbert; stage director, Charles Mathews; prompter, J. S. Wright; treasurer, Theodore Moss, and leader of the orchestra Thomas Baker. The opening of the "Rivals" constituted the opening bill.

October 2.—Lovely's repeated on the 3d, after which, on the 4th, was given, in which Miss Mary Lennox made her first appearance, playing Caroline Dormer. 4th the "Serious Family" was produced; 5th, the "Rivals;" 6th, the "Heir at Law;" 7th, the "Serious Family" and "Solon Shingle;" 9th, Miss Plessy Mordaunt made her American *debut*, playing Mrs. Oakly in the "Jealous Wife," which was repeated on the 10th. The "Rivals" was acted on the 11th; "Masks and Faces" on the 12th and 13th; "Jealous Wife" on the 14th. Mr. Charles Mathews made his first appearance on the 16th, acting in "A Curious Case" and "A Game of Speculation," which ran during that week. On the 23d the bill was changed to "Aggravating Sam" and the "Nervous Man," which ran throughout that week. On the 30th the "Busy Body" was produced, and acted during that week.

November 1.—A *matinee* performance was given for the benefit of the sufferers by the Chicago fire, conflagration, when the "Lady of Lyons" was acted by Charles Fechter, Miss Lizzie Price, Mme Ponisi and the members of the regular company. 6th, "A Curious Case" and the "Critic" were produced. 7th, "A Nice Firm" and the "Critic" were acted and run the balance of the week. On the 13th Lester Wallack made his first appearance during the season, acting in "Rosedale," which had quite a run.

December 2.—"Rosedale" the character in which Mr. Wallack is appearing the "Rivals" was performed, also given at a *matinee* on the 9th, and on that evening the "Jealous Wife" was presented. "Rosedale" was withdrawn after the performances of the 11th. "John Garth" was acted on the 18th, and he enjoyed a successful run. At a *matinee* on the 16th "Rosedale" was acted.

January 2.—A slight change occurred in the cast of "John Garth," John Brougham made his first appearance therein, playing Gregory Deerham *vice* John Gilbert, who was ill. Charles Rockwell acted Antonio Barretti in place of J. B. Polk. A *matinee* performance of "John Garth" was given on the 13th. On the 17th Mr. Brougham was unable to appear, and Charles Rockwell acted Deerham, and later in the week Mr. John Gilbert, having recovered, resumed that *role*.

February 3.—"John Garth" was acted for the last time. On the 12th, the "Veteran" was produced, and first acted at a *matinee* on the 24th.

March 2 and *9.*—*Matinees* of the "Veteran" were given.

April 11.—Last performance of the "Veteran." On the 18th, "London Assurance" was produced. It was first acted at a *matinee* on the 27th.

May 4.—Another *matinee* of "London Assurance" was given. On the 8th the "Rivals" was acted at a *matinee* for the benefit of Homeopathic Hospital Fund. On the 9th Mrs. Fanny Foster made her *debut* upon the dramatic stage, acting Grace Harkaway. This comedy was acted on the 10th, the 20th, 21st, 22d, 23d, 24th, and the "Critic" were revived on the 27th, and ran till the 31st, inclusive.

June 1.—For the farewell benefit of Charles Mathews the "Captain of the Watch" and "Not Such a Fool as He Looks," were performed, which terminated the regular fall and winter season.

MAC EVOY'S HIBERNICON was exhibited for the last time at the St. James Theatre, on Saturday evening, June 1st. A season is to be commenced at Brooklyn, L. I., on the 3d.

THE THIRTY-FOURTH STREET THEATRE closed on May 25th, the manager leaving town with the funds, and the actors minus their salaries.

JOHNNY THOMPSON continued to act at the evening performances and Saturday *matinee* during the past week at Wood's Museum in the sensational drama, entitled "On Hand; or, True to the Last." At the usual *matinee* performances the "Willow Copse," with J. J. Wallace as Luke Fielding; T. W. Keene as Bill Staggers, Miss Pauline Markham as Rose Fielding, and Miss Belle Howitt as Meg, constituted the attraction. This evening, June 3d, an entirely new drama by Johnny Thompson, entitled "Our Colored Brother," is announced to be acted for the first time, Mr. Thompson sustaining the chief character.

AN IMMENSE BUSINESS was done during the past week by Sam Sharpley's Minstrels at 585 Broadway. Nearly every night every seat in the auditorium was occupied and there were many persons standing in the side aisles. The first part has been made unusually attractive. Sam Sharpley and Nelse Seymour appear in "All," as the only ones who appear in black faces. Nearly all the songs were changed from the previous week and the jokes and gags were entirely fresh. We have never seen Nelse Seymour appear to better advantage than during his present engagement. He is lively, vivacious and delivers his witticisms with a gusto that enhances their value. Sam Sharpley must be congratulated on having secured men in the profession, and we never hear a stale jest fall from his lips. Delehanty and Hengler were the fresh additions to the company, making their first appearance on May 27th. Their songs and dances met with favor. Harry Macarthy continued his character songs. Charles White and Nelse Seymour made things lively in a couple of sketches, and Sam Sharpley's songs, with banjo accompaniment, were applauded. While the efforts of Messrs. Dempster, Rudolph, Fredericks and Henry deserve commendation for their excellent singing in the first part.

MONS. LENGLOIS, "invisible" wire performer, made his American *debut* at Tony Pastor's on Monday evening, May 27th. Although his feats did not differ from those usually given by that class of performers they were very creditably performed. M'lle Fontainebleau continued her engagement, introducing, beside her *trapeze* performances, double hat spinning and dancing, which met with great favor. Billy Pastor's comic singing was a noteable feature of the evening. Pete Cannon continued his Irish songs, as did Hurley and Marr their songs and dances. W. J. Thompson's dramatic sketch entitled "Yankee Girl," with the author in a chief role, concluded the entertainments. The second *matinee* of the week is now given on Friday instead of Saturday, and thus far the attendance has been fair.

MRS. JOHN WOOD sailed for England, per steamship Russia, May 29th.

THE PRESENT WEEK is the last but one of the season at the Fifth Avenue Theatre. "Article 47" will in all probability continue the attraction until the close of the season. Miss Fanny Morant acted during a portion of the week the Baroness de Mirac in place of Miss Fanny Davenport, who went to Philadelphia, Pa., being called thither by the dangerous illness of her father, E. L. Davenport.

THE LAST WEEK of "Humpty Dumpty" will be the present. The last performance will, however, be given on Tuesday evening, June 11th, for the benefit of G. L. Fox, on which occasion he will act the chief *role* for the one thousandth time.

W. H. LEAKE, the manager of the St. James Theatre, Boston, Mass., was in town a short time during the past week. He accompanies Mlle. Aimee and her opera *bouffe* company to San Francisco, Cal.

E. P. KENDALL, the well-known business manager, accompanies G. L. Fox's "Humpty Dumpty" Pantomime Company in that capacity on their tour through the country next season.

W. HORACE LINGARD and his entire company arrived in town on June 1st, having closed their season of forty weeks in Wilmington, Del., on May 31st, which is reported as having been the most successful since Mr. Lingard's arrival in this country some four years since. He will commence his next season on or about Sept. 2d, and in the meantime can be addressed as per advertisement.

CHARLES STORMS, vocalist, arrived in this city during the past week, from the West Indies.

IT IS RUMORED that Madeline Henriques is about to return to the stage. She should never have left it.

JOHN F. POOLE severed his connection with the Union Square Theatre on June 1st.

JOHN A. STEVENS, the manager of the Western Theatrical Circuit, arrived in town during the past week, and intends remaining a month or six weeks.

GEORGE CLARK and JOHN HOWSON, who have been playing during the past season at the Varieties Theatre, New Orleans, La., arrived in the city during the past week.

EDWIN BROWNE, who has been associated in the management of a traveling company with Miss Katie Putnam for some years past, and of whom it has been often erroneously reported that he was married to that lady, arrived in town during the past week. He is now the business manager of the Wyndham Comedy Company.

MISS GRISWOLD, who made such a favorable impression while acting at the St. James Theatre under the management of Mr. Mackeye, is about to adopt the stage as a profession.

MR. AND MRS. G. W. ANSON, Harry Cox and A. W. Young sailed for Europe on June 1st.

TWENTY-ONE HUNDRED DOLLARS was the amount realized by the three benefit performances for the relief of the sufferers by the recent burning of Niblo's Garden. Mr. John E. Cole added $300 to that amount, making a total of $2,300, which the committee divided *pro rata* among those directly engaged in the representation of "Lalla Rookh" each person receiving about one week's salary. Some of the leading people generously declined to accept their share and requested that the amount should be divided among those receiving the smallest salaries.

BEN DE BAR, manager of De Bar's Opera House, St. Louis, Mo., the St. Charles Theatre, New Orleans, La., and the Theatre Royal, Montreal, C. E., is in the city, and intends remaining until July 1st.

THE VOKES FAMILY brought their engagement at the Union Square Theatre to a close on June 1st, and Mrs. James A. Oates' Burlesque Company inaugurate the summer season, under the new *regime*, on the 3d, appearing in "Fortunio."

COL. T. A. BROWN, dramatic agent, 718 Broadway, is prepared to negotiate engagements for Phillis Glover, with her drama, "Peril," for short star engagements; Augusta Dargon, leading lady, who is prepared to play in "Article 47" and other dramas, and Katie Putnam, comedienne, after her return from Europe, about Sept. 30th. He also advertises that the St. James Theatre can be rented through him.

A SENSATIONAL, EQUESTRIAN DRAMA, from the pen of J. H. Warwick, entitled:—"California; or, the Heathen Chinee," was produced for the first time on any stage at the Bowery Theatre, on Monday evening, May 27th, O. B. Collins, his trained horse "San Juan," and Charles Warwick having been especially engaged to act therein. It is in three acts, and gives some glimpses of the rough life led by the early settlers in the mountain ranches. The plot is slight, hinging upon an incident of matrimonial dereliction. A wife has been lured from the path of rectitude by a gambler, who afterwards maltreats her and she becomes an outcast, known as wild Meg, and is believed to be insane, by the settlers. Her husband, Long Tom Russell, some time after the above incidents have occurred, likewise emigrates to California and by chance settles near her abode. The betrayer of the wife, Bill Nye, seeks Long Tom's life, and after several fruitless attempts finally accomplishes his design and in the moment of his victory is killed by Wild Meg, who reveals herself to Long Tom as his lost wife, and ere his fast ebbing life has winged its flight, receives his forgiveness. Only the early and later scenes of the drama are employed to develop this plot, the balance being made up of gambling scenes, entertainments by Chinese musicians and Ethiopian minstrels, etc. It is not particularly effective in construction, nor did it meet with great favor from the audiences. It was fairly acted as a whole, and drew a fair attendance, the lower portion of the house being better filled than the upper tiers. The stock company will be seen in the farce entitled "Brother Bill and Me," in which W. Marden, E. W. Marston, Charles Foster, Miss Millie Sackett and Mrs. E. B. Holmes were seen to advantage.

CHARLES MELVILLE, the well known business agent for minstrel companies, arrived in this city during the past week, from St. John, N. B.

AT THE FIFTH AVENUE COMIQUE on the evening of June 1st, it was intended to have given a complete dress rehearsal of the sensational drama, entitled "Chicago, Before, During and After the Fire" in the presence of a few invited guests, but it was discovered that several of the principal actors engaged therein were unable to be present owing to prior engagements being then unfulfilled, and it was decided to simply exhibit the diorama. The various scenes were admirably painted and correct proportions were observed. As a whole, it surpasses any painting of the kind ever exhibited in this city, and Mr. R. L. Weed deserves a meed of praise for his artistic skill. This evening, June 3d, the drama will be presented to the public for the first time, with Charles R. Thorne, Jr., J. Z. Little, Harry Hotto, Charles Norris, Miss Lizzie Maddern, little Minnie Maddern, Miss Nellie Sanford, Miss Kitty Tilstone and others in the cast.

Dramatic.

OF THINGS THEATRICAL IN SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., our correspondent, "Sir Toby," under date of May 25th, sends the appended report:—"At the California Theatre remarkable performances have been seen of standard plays. On May 20th and 21st, 'London Assurance' was brought forward in appropriate and beautiful scenic garb. Its rendition was distinguished by an ease of expression and a beauty of tone to be looked for in vain outside of one or two metropolitan theatres. Miss Carlotta Leclercq acted Lady Gay Spanker with a racy humor, a mercurial dash and a splendid vitality that betokened the very incarnation of subtle-spirited comedy. Henry Edwards was the old beau, Sir Harcourt Courtly, which he played better than any actor who has appeared here. Owen Marlowey, with nice discrimination, handled Charles Courtly, presenting him as a gentleman of elegant manners, whose young blood, however, leads him to commit pardonable follies. Dazzle would not be selected as best fitting the talents of John McCullough; still the part in his hands was truthfully held up as a type of Bohemian ease and assurance. Walter Leman, in Max Harkaway, had a character peculiarly fitted to his bluff, restless style, and Williamson showed a good idea of Meddle. Leathes' Dolly Spanker was gentlemanly, though simple minded, the character in his hands not being an insult to Lady Gay, as it generally is made when pictured by coarser artists. Grace Harkaway was realized by Miss Minnie Walton, in her sweet, girlish beauty, and Mrs. Saunders as Pert, Pimpton as Cool, and Leach as Isaacs, were quite adequate to their respective parts. If 'London Assurance' was a notable success, the 'School for Scandal,' played on the 22d and 23d, was still greater. Edwards as Sir Peter Teazle again came out in radiant colors, his impersonation strengthening the accepted idea, with a superior conception of the character, seen on the San Francisco stage. He was called before the curtain with Miss Leclercq, who acted Lady Teazle several times. The beauty of Miss Leclercq's art lies in its delicacy, brightness and intellectuality. Mestayer acted well indeed as Crabtree, displaying a rare eccentric humor; he was attired in new rich costume, and in face and figure much resembles the actor Quin. Walter Leman's Oliver Surface was clever, but it would have been thought the better of had not the beautiful and never surpassed performance of poor Sedley Smith been so vivid in the recollection of the audience. Want of space will not permit adequate recognition of some excellent performances, so the remainder of the cast is recorded without comment:—Sir Benjamin Backbite, Owen Marlowe; Moses, J. C. Williamson; Charles Surface, John McCullough; Joseph Surface, John Wilson; Careless, E. J. Buckley; Rowley, S. W. Leach; Trip, E. Leathes; Snake, E. N. Thayer; Maria, Miss Minnie Walton; Lady Sneerwell, Mrs. Judah, and Mrs. Candor, Mrs. Saunders. But there was one remarkable point about the production which should be referred to. Out of pure love for Miss Leclercq as a woman, and a profound respect for her as an actress, all the actors of the company who wore moustaches shaved, so as to render the performance as perfect as possible for her sake, and for once 'School for Scandal' was not marred by the anachronism of bearded men in bag wigs. It was a great compliment, Harry Edwards in particular, his moustache being of twenty years' growth. Miss Leclercq, surprised by the fine mountings and splendid casts with which her plays have been set upon the stage, endeavored to show her appreciation by tendering a benefit to John McCullough on the 24th. A densely crowded and brilliant audience was present, as Mr. McCullough is one of the favorites of the people. The play was 'Hamlet' he blazed out in his best light, and prepared the audience to make favorable comparison with many performances of notable actors. As a Shakesperean actor, with Mr. Barrett, he is among the best young men on the stage, his nature, dignity and pure style clothing such characters. In 'Hamlet' he displayed a sound conception, read the poetry with fine emphasis and full rounded cadence, lit the passionate scenes with strong and well-governed fire, and the support he received was excellent. Miss Leclercq gave a beautiful performance of Ophelia. Edwards was the Ghost; Leman, Polonius; Wilson, the King; Mestayer, Laertes; Williamson, the Gravedigger; Leathes, Osric, and Mrs. Sophia Edwin, the Queen. The last week of Miss Leclercq commences on the 27th, during which she will appear in 'As You Like It,' 'Lady of Lyons' and 'Plot and Passion.' Lawrence Barrett commences June 3d, when Miss Fanny Davenport, of the Fifth Avenue; and Miss Helen Tracy, of Wallack's, will make their first appearance and act with him in 'Divorce.'.....At the Metropolitan Theatre Mr. Charles Wheatleigh commenced an engagement May 21st, producing Lester Wallack's drama of 'The Veteran.' The piece was set upon the stage with freshly painted scenery, which from the represented places of action—France and Algiers—was, with license, made of a picturesque description. The personations of Coggeswell, as Col. Delmar; Wheatleigh, as Leon Delmar, and Hardie, as Mohammed, were of considerable merit, and, with justice, won very favorable notice. The circus round the corner drew a very numerous audience, and consequently the attendance during the week, consequently of this theatre during the week, consequently the attendance, unfortunately, was rather light. On the 27th a new play, 'Lillie Aroon,' will be produced, in which the authoress, Miss Laura Honey, an English actress, will make her first appearance. On June 3d Miss Maggie Mitchell will make her bow in 'Panchon.'.....The Palace of Truth,' produced under the management of John McCullough and John Piper, ran a week at the Opera House, Virginia City, to an average of $800 per night. It was acted by Miss Rose Evans, E. J. Buckley, Frank Rea, and others of the California Theatre company, and introduced, incidentally, the Majiltons and Venturoli. The present attraction at the Opera House is the Cavicchi troupe, who are attracting good audiences."

AT THE NATIONAL THEATRE, Washington, D. C., Madame Januschek, supported by her company, performed during the past week, and, wrote our correspondent on June 3d, "although her jewels were advertised to be worth $150,000, she did not attract very large audiences."

THE NEW BROOKLYN, L. I., THEATRE'S first season terminated on May 31st, when the house was crowded, Mr. Conway being the recipient of a complimentary testimonial. On June 3d the summer season to be inaugurated, the "Nallad Queen" being presented with a cast including Frank Roche, Minnie Conway, W. Chippindale Harry Hawk and a *ballet corps* under the lead of Van Hamme and Miss Bilton. A feature of the season has been the excellent orchestral music performed by Mr. Petersen's capital instrumentalists.

THE PARK THEATRE, Brooklyn, L. I., was closed for the season on June 1st, Mr. J. M. Ward closing a successful engagement on May 31st, Miss Montague's appearance being a feature. On June 1st Mr. Carroll had a benefit, when "Madeline" and "Pocahontas" was presented. Mr. Gabriel Harrison as Sir Walter, in the dagger scene from "The Wife," was loudly applauded, as was also Mr. Griffiths, a talented amateur, in his imitations of actors. The house was crowded.

THE SUMMER SEASON at the Opera House, Rochester N. Y., commenced May 27th, with several new faces in the stock and with Miss Dollie Bidwell as the star attraction, producing the play of "The Pretty Panther." Our correspondent, writing on June 1st, says:—"Miss Bidwell returned and acted the dual characters of Lucille splendidly, and was the recipient of well merited applause. Miss Kate Frazer was good as Mme. Le Renard. T. J. Maxin was on the bills for Bertie Carroll, but that gentleman not having arrived, T. Nolan played that part very nicely on short notice. J. L. Hudson, as Lionel, displayed poor talents as an actor. The old favorites were warmly applauded. The performance concluded with the farce of 'Out on a Spree.' Wm. Scanlan appeared as Mizzle, and made a decided hit. Miss Gisle Raymond appeared as Miss Brown, and showed toadvantage, although the part was small. On Wednesday evening the 'Pretty Panther' was shelved and the 'Flyers of the Forest' substituted, with Miss Bidwell as Cyclone. On Thursday evening was played 'Nobody's Daughter,' J. Clinton Hall impersonating the dual characters of Harker and Larkspur to advantage. W. T. Delany, as Victor Carrington, was quiet, cool and effective. Last evening the plays of the 'French Spy' and 'Joan of Arc' were presented to a full house. For the *matinee* today 'Nobody's Daughter' was the attraction. To-night Miss Bidwell closes her engagement, with 'Jack Sheppard and the Wept of the Wish-ton-Wish.' The business of the week was good. On June 3d Junius Brutus Booth appears in 'Hamlet.'"

THE father of Johnny Allen died on Friday morning, May 31st.

PALMER'S "BLACK CROOK" COMPANY performed at Fort Wayne, Ind., May 31st and June 1st.

BARTON HILL commenced an engagement at the Royal Lyceum, Toronto, Ont., May 27th, appearing as Claude Melnotte in the "Lady of Lyons." Our correspondent, writing on May 31st, says:—"A very good house attended the opening performance. Tuesday evening he appeared in 'London Assurance;' Wednesday, the 'Honeymoon' and 'A Morning Call;' Thursday, the 'Marble Heart,' in which he enacted the

drowning herself in the Hudson river opposite Newburgh, N. Y., on May 24th. She was married in October last to John R. Davis, an actor, but the union proved unhappy and at the end of a month they separated. Some few days since they met at Poughkeepsie and quarreled, and on returning home she threatened to kill herself. On the day of her death she seemed in unusually low spirits and announced her intention of going to Sangerties, where her husband was then playing with a traveling dramatic company, and that was the last seen of her until some fishermen found her lifeless body. She was twenty years of age.

BERRY'S THEATRE COMIQUE, Wilkesbarre, Pa., is advertised to rent. It is furnished with scenery, dressing-rooms, etc., and will seat eight hundred persons.

WALTER BRAY is referred to in McKee and Rogers' card in another column, relating to "Rebecca Jane."

JAKE BERRY'S THEATRE COMIQUE, Wilkesbarre, Pa., was closed for the season after the performances of June 1st, and by an advertisement in another column it will be seen that the theatre is for rent during the summer months. Mr. Berry takes his company out for a traveling tour prior to re-opening in the fall for the regular season.

O'REARDON, Herr Willio, Hogan and Madge, opened at Bishop's Opera House, St. John, N. B., on May 27th. H. F. Henri, solo cornetist and leader of the brass band, recently joined the company.

FRED. D. HARRIS, motto and character singer, who can be addressed care of this office, will be at liberty after June 15th.

THE JEFFREY BROTHERS, gymnasts, recently arrived from California, can be engaged from Aug. 1st. Address care of this office.

THE THEATRE COMIQUE, New Haven, Conn., has been refitted and newly furnished, and will be opened about June 17th, with a new company. First class artists are wanted. Address the proprietor as per card in another column.

BUSINESS at Shelby's Comique, Buffalo, N. Y., continues excellent. On May 25th hundreds were compelled to retrace their steps. The new faces on the 27th were M'lle Zoe Zeonette, Miss Emma Grattan, and Mons. Leo Reveni. The negro sketch of "There's a Mistake Here" opened the bill, followed by Mons. Reveni in his flying rings act, Miss Nagle in a dance, and Miss Butler in her songs. The interlude of "Keno" succeeded, rendered quite acceptable by the company. Miss Nagle then gave her skipping rope dance, and Chas. Brown executed a banjo solo and song. Miss Grattan made a pleasing impression in her budget of songs. The gymnastic and *trapeze* feats by M'lle Zoe and Mons. Reveni were rendered with agility, skill and daring. The performance closed with the dramatic sketch of "Oroloso," to which, in a large degree, may be attributed the success of business of the week. It receives its last production to-night, and on the 3d., Mr. Frayne will bring out a new dramatic sketch called "True to the Flag," in which he announces a still more difficult shooting act. The present stars are retained for the coming week. On the termination of the performance on the 4th, Manager Shelby will tender his company a moonlight excursion up the lake, on the steamer J. W. White, a pleasant time is anticipated." So wrote our correspondent on June 1st.

JOHN T. KELLY, Irish character vocalist and dancer, is at present in his twentieth week's engagement at Fox's American Theatre, Philadelphia, Pa., where he can be addressed.

THE HENRI FAMILY closed a two weeks' engagement at the Metropolitan Theatre, Indianapolis, Ind., on June 1st, and open in St. Louis, Mo., 3d.

AT FIELDING'S OPERA HOUSE, Toledo, O., the new arrivals on May 27th were Turner and Lester, song and dance men, and Miss Blanche Castle, vocalist. The present company is made up of the following artists:—Frank West, Turner and Lester, Ida and Bertha Foy, Lula and Lottie Wentworth, Blanche Castle, and Willie Irma.

A DUTCH COMEDIAN and vocalist and an Irish comic singer are advertised for by Jacob Acker.

AT MORTIMER'S PHILADELPHIA VARIETIES Miss Alice Bateman and Wm. Noonan were the only new faces last week. Miss Bateman's pleasing and piquant serio-comic singing, and Billy Noonan's capital songs and dances, met with a liberal share of applause. They also appeared to much advantage in a double clog dance. The proprietor of this establishment, Joseph M. Mortimer, had a complimentary benefit on the 30th ult., when the theatre was crowded to overflowing. A pleasing incident was the presentation by stage-manager H. W. Williams, on behalf of the company, of a service of silver plate to Mr. Mortimer, who made a neat and appropriate response.

CINCINNATI, O., items in the variety line are furnished by our correspondent, under date of May 31st, as follows:—"At the Race Street Varieties the new appearances have been Annie Hindle and J. W. Eagan. Miss Hindle's merits in change songs in male attire are well known. Her graceful and spirited character vocalisms have been received with the old time enthusiasm. J. W. Eagan's line is Irish comedy, in which he is moderately successful. Lucy Adams' changes continues a marked feature of the programme. Marsh Adams this week gave a good change act, embracing 'Old Black Joe,' 'I Couldn't Stay Away,' 'Old Sexton,' and 'Mississippi Fling.' The balance of the company, Minnie Baker, Sadie Lloyd, Lou Florence, George Morton, Dow Cavana and Jim Finley have given the usual dish-out of mirth and melody. Corney King closed last week. Lew Cavana closes to-morrow night and goes to Allen's, St. Louis, Mo. With him goes 'Cincinnatus,' the two having about concluded to 'double.' J. W. Eagan also closes.....At the Olympic Theatre the new appearances this week have been the Lawrence troupe of statuary performers, and Miss Carry Austin. The troupe embraces Prof. Lawrence, Ida Morton and *la belle* Pauline. Their groups are arranged on a revolving platform, and are quite pretty. They also have the assistance of Kate Hunter, whose fine form is well adapted for such an exhibition. Pauline, a piquant girl of fourteen, is spirited in change songs, and Ida Morton is a *danseuse*. Carry Austin sings ballads in a pleasing manner. The entertainment embraces Prof. Lawrence, Ida Morton and *la belle* Pauline. Their groups are arranged on a revolving platform, and are quite pretty. They also have the assistance of Kate Hunter, whose fine form is well adapted for such an exhibition. Pauline, a piquant girl of fourteen, is spirited in change songs, and Ida Morton is a *danseuse*. Carry Austin sings ballads in a pleasing manner. The entertainment is re-enforced by Chris. Ransom and Tim Woodruff gave an entertainment on Walnut Hills on the 28th.....Tony Pastor's combination opens at Wood's Theatre, July 1st. During next week it will appear in Steubenville, Ohio; Newark, Columbus, Springfield and Dayton.....The National Theatre is in the closing week for the season. The new attractions for the week have been Prof. Lander and M'lle Maud Lander, in feats of magic; John Denier, in parlor gymnastics, and Maggie Willett, in her serio-comic vocalisms, in which she is spirited. The balance of the entertainments have consisted of songs, by Rosa Lee; plantation acts, by Walter Bray; jigs, by Lizzie Warren, and the ventriloquism of D. D. Davis. Joined to these has been a full distribution, but the attendance has been light. The theatre has had a checkered season, having been very prosperous up to the time the 'Necromancer of Egypt' went into its second week, since which time, with some exceptions, it has been but mildly so. Mr. Sargent and Mr. E. D. Davies will jointly re-open it in September, and promise a strong company. During the summer they will play engagements together, opening in Philadelphia about the 10th. H. J. Sargent as magician, and Davies in his own special line. Mr. Sargent deserves much credit for his past management, and will probably be well sustained in the future.....John H. Havlin, associated with John Dingess, in the concert show of Romelli's Circus, is here on a brief trip, and reports business prosperous."

THE SIG. FELIX INFANT BALLET TROUPE and Fernando Fleury, character change performer and female impersonator, were added to the company at the Metropolitan Hall, Washington, D. C., on May 27th. The troupe consists of four remarkably pretty little girls, whose ages appear to range from eleven to five years. Charlotte, the youngest one, is the prettiest dancer of the four, and exhibits in her dancing an unusual grace, added to excellent training. Leonore, the third one, does a song and dance in attractive manner. Clementina and Henrietta, the other two, are not far behind in point of merit; and both of them evince considerable talent. On June 3d, the Zig Zags, grotesque dancers, from the Olympic Theatre, N. Y., Felicitie Redond, character dancer, and Keegan and Clark, Irish song and dance men, are announced to commence an engagement. Mazori Arnoldi and Bowman and Harris closed on June 1st, with no immediate engagement ahead. So wrote our correspondent on June 2d.

AT WILD'S OPERA HOUSE, Syracuse, N. Y., business during the past week has been excellent. "Paris Before the War" has been the chief attraction; an excellent ballet corps performed the "Can-can." Miss V. Ferguson has been well received in eccentric songs and sketches, and Barry Carter was first-rate in Irish songs and dances. Miss Gertie Granville has been the chief card, as she possesses more than ordinary talents, a fine form and a beautiful face, also a splendid voice, and has met with decided success. Miss Iona Lang, Miss Ada Jones, Miss Hannah La Rush, and Lottie La Rush, have each appeared nightly, and contributed toward the success. The Misses Maggie Mairs, Bella Gordon, and Jennie Charles, will make their first appearances on June 3d. So wrote our correspondent on June 1st.

AT DEAGLE'S VARIETIES, St. Louis, Mo., the newest features were the Claire Sisters, Minnie, Maggie and Emma, who appeared to excellent advantage in the "*Pas de Hungarian*," and more especially so in their posing act entitled "*Poses de Grace*," in which, however, two only of the sisters participated. They will remain another week at least. Sunday evening, June 2d, is announced for the first appearance of Mons Le Port, magician; also the re-appearance of Miss Annie Adams..... At Allen's Mr. Sam Graham, comedian, has been delighting goodly audiences with his humor. On June 6th Mr. Lew Kavanagh, song and dance artist, is announced to appear. On June 3d there will appear Miss Maud Lewis, Fanny Keenan and Lizzie Florence.....At the Sixth Street Varieties Master Henry, the boy wonder, in song and dance and comic songs, is the newest of the week. Dan Hart, Irish and Dutch comedian, has been re-engaged. So wrote our correspondent on May 31st.

THE ATTENDANCE at the Front Street Theatre Comique, Baltimore, Md., during the past week, the last of the season, has been moderate. Signor Capola, contortionist and *trapeze* performer, opened on May 27th, and was favorably received. The Zig Zags in their specialties, and Lizzie Bernard in her protean delineations, have met with approbation. A pantomime termed the "Goblin Sprite" was the most noticeable feature of the programme, Geo. R. Edeson, B. S. Hodges, Pete Lee, W. H. Quinn, Susie Summerfield, Hattie Edeson, and Emma Ellinger assuming the principal *roles*. The balance of the bill comprised dances by the Remmelsberg Sisters and Susie Summerfield, character songs by G. R. Edson and Pete Lee, and a number of Ethiopian sketches. B. S. Hodges, a popular performer, took a benefit last Wednesday afternoon.....Business at the Baltimore Opera House has been tolerable. The Boston *ballet* troupe presented the Can-can again this week, and a new *divertissement* called the "Lily." Harry Price performed some excellent songs and dances. Dan Collyer, clog dancer, closes to-night. Harry Hart is underlined. So wrote our correspondent on June 1st.

THE fresh appearances at the Varieties Theatre, Pittsburgh, Pa., on May 27th, were Miss Dora Dawron, Miss Louisa Bliss, Austin and Hess and Alfred McDowell. Miss Dawron is a double-voiced vocalist, changing her voice and general appearance from feminine to masculine and *vice versa* while in full view of the audience. The act is new in Pittsburgh, and its novelty favorably impresses the auditory. Miss Louisa Bliss' wire walking is cleverly done. Austin and Hess do a skating act which affords amusement, and receives an encore. Alfred McDowell's songs and dances are deservedly re-demanded. Mr. J. S. Edwards, Mr. George F. Moore, Mr. Jas. Douglass, and the Misses Kitty Henderson, Flora Benton and Frank Christie are among the other members of the company who acquit themselves with credit in anything they attempt. Business very fair. W. B. Doherty, master of properties, and J. H. Murphy, bill distributor, take their benefit on June 6th. So wrote our correspondent on May 31st.

ANNIE ADAMS, serio-comic vocalist, is at present in the 26th week of her engagement at Deagle's Varieties, St. Louis, Mo., where she can be addressed.

PROF. G. W. WARE, Magician and marionette performer, who can be addressed care of this office, is recommended by Major Burnell, as will be seen by a card elsewhere.

J. T. LEON, juggler, balancer and club swinger, can be engaged with his infant son, aged four, who does gymnastic feats. Address as per advertisement.

HARRY HOWES, agent and business manager, advertises that he can be engaged by a ball show or circus.

M'LLE. OLIVIA, the Harrison Sisters and Bobby Manchester were the arrivals at the Theatre Comique, Cleveland, O., May 27th. The Harrison Sisters appear in a medley dance, which meets with favor; Johnny Jennings' song and dance is neat and appropriate. In the first part B. C. Hart sang "I'm My Daddy's Only Son," to the delight of all present. Cora Everett sang "Kiss Me Good Bye" with great effect, and received a hearty encore. Business good. So wrote our correspondent on May 31st.

A LADY VARIETY ARTIST of ability is wanted by R. C. Willmore, who advertises.

THE HOWARD, Boston, Mass., continued "Dark Friday" last week and added to its company Leffingwell and some few others. The season closed on June 1st.

AT SMITH'S OPERA HOUSE, East Saginaw, Mich., the following changes have taken place, or will, as noted:—Billy Gray and Emma Whiting go to Bay City on the 3d of June, and G. Brooks Clark takes the stage management. L. H. Rogers goes to Detroit, to restudy. Harry Brown opened Monday, May 27th. Lillie Lasette, Kate Barown, Viola Clifton, George Thatcher and Tony Harvey open June 3d. The house is doing a large business. Harry Brown opened under very favorable circumstances.....Buckley's Opera House is doing a good business. The following artists compose the company:—Frank Steward, stage manager, vice Tommy Jefferson; Wm. Nunn, leader of orchestra; Miss Mollie Sommers, Miss Belle Herd, Mlle. Sallie, *la petite* Poposy and Johnny Smith. Lew Hall went to Bay City, June 1st. Tommy Jefferson and Ned Reed joined a traveling company May 27th. Billy Hasson and Laura D. Lano are to open June 3d. So wrote our correspondent on May 30th.

MISS ANNIE HALSTON, club swinger, appeared at Tammany Hall, Bay City, Mich., May 28th. Toney Harvey, stage manager, closed on the 29th, and will be succeeded June 3d, by Billy Gray. Frank Benton, Ethiopian comedian, and Miss Emma Whiting, vocalist, also appear June 3d. Yankee and Fitzgerald are leading features of the entertainment.....Harry Wilkinson, banjoist and comedian, came out at the Theatre Comique, May 28th, and Miss Ada Whiting, a stylish vocalist, made her bow May 30th. Nellie Howard and Ella Shaldon, also successful engagements just closed at Tammany Hall, and Vincent La Salle, of the Great Eastern Circus; J. E. Warner, of Warner's Menagerie and Circus; W. W. Durand, of the Great Eastern Circus, and the agents of Dan Rice's and the Conklin Brothers' Show.

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AT THE WASHINGTON VARIETIES, Providence, R. I., George Warren, banjoist, was the only new appearance during the past week. Business fair. On the 3d, Ella Hedin, jig and clog dancer; Frank Wood, song and dance, and Sallie Swift, club swinger and banjoist, are announced, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Robinson and Miss Sallie Rogers for the 10th. Ed. Barker has a benefit on the 6th..... Messrs. Stalker and Hopkins' traveling company has been made up, and includes Jennie Benson, *la petite* Rosa Lee, Mlle. Victorella, Addie Parsons, Billy Barker, Ed. Barker, J. S. Murphy, Harry Miller, Sig. Feranti, Geo. Warren, A. S. Kennedy, Jas. Fish, Chas. Baker, Geo. Dana, Wm. Knowlts, Geo. Baker and R. H. Hart. Mr. Stalker accompanies the troupe as manager, and the route on the first week is as follows:—Westerly, R. I., June 10th; New London, Conn., 11th; Norwich, 12th; Willimantic, 13th; Putnam, 14th, and Danielsonville, 15th. A performance will be given at Harrington's Opera House by this and the Washington Varieties company on the 17th. So wrote our correspondent on June 1st.

FRANK J. LE ROY, male soprano, character actor and dancer, advertises that he can be engaged.

ROBT. DAVIS, clown, comedian and pantomimist, who can be addressed care of this office wants an engagement.

J. H. ESTILL, printer, Savannah, Ga., inserts his card in another column, to which we refer managers and agents traveling south.

PARTIES about to remodel halls and who require the services of scenic artists, are referred to Lowell and Curtiss' card in another column.

Negro Minstrelsy.

THOMAS MCNALLY, leader of orchestra with Hooley's Minstrels, in Brooklyn, L. I., died in that city, of consumption, on Saturday morning, May 25th, at the age of about 35 years. He had been for many years connected with minstrelsy, having been engaged under E. P. Christy, Perham and Bowers' banners. His funeral occurred on May 27th, and was largely attended by the members of the minstrel profession. His remains were interred in the Cemetery of Evergreens.

HOOLEY'S MINSTRELS, who start upon a two weeks' tour this evening, have been obliged to change their route from that previously announced, and will play as follows:—Hoboken, 3d; Paterson, 4th; Jersey City, 5th; Trenton, 6th; Paterson, 7th and 8th; Bridgeport, Conn., 10th; Tarrytown, N. Y., 11th; Newburgh, 12th; Poughkeepsie, 13th; Jersey City, 14th; Elizabeth, 15th, and reopen at Hooley's Opera House, Brooklyn, L. I., 17th.

DUPREZ AND BENEDICT'S MINSTRELS opened a week's season at Wood's Theatre, Cincinnati, O., May 27th, to a crowded house, and, writes our correspondent, "they have done a splendid business all the week. They are undoubtedly due to their liberal advertising, the whole city having been flooded with posters in all colors. The company is a good average one, J. T. Gulick acting as interlocutor; George H. Edwards and Lew. Benedict doing the witty on the ends; Frank Dumont, D. H. Smith and G. B. Harcourt furnishing the ballads; Ernest Lidden appearing in burlesque; Belge in songs, and J. Fox and Ed. Ward giving clogs, also songs and dances, all of which seemed to hit squarely the tastes of the audiences. The farce of 'Dr. Fowler's Office' afforded Benedict and Edwards opportunity for some original touches of humor, and Edwards was also very successful in banjo solos. Besides the members mentioned, the troupe embraces Prof. W. W. Herman, Henry H. Morris, George J. Lennox, Charles Otto, C. C. Palmer and F. Helmick. Louis Gumpert is musical director, and C. H. Duprez, business manager. They close here with the week, and are billed ahead for Lexington, Ky., on the 3d; Frankfort, 4th; New Albany, Ind., 5th; Louisville, 6th, 7th, 8th, and Dayton, Ohio, 10th..... Dan Bryant's Minstrels open at Wood's for a week, on June 3d, and on the 10th, the Martinetti-Ravel Troupe commences. The Manning and Tony Pastor parties also appear here, and Billy Emerson has secured Pike's."

CAL WAGNER'S MINSTRELS performed at Peoria Ill., May 28th; Springfield, 29th; Bloomington, 30th; Indianapolis, Ind., May 31st and June 1st, and are billed ahead as follows:—Terre Haute, 3d; Columbus, O., 4th; and Wheeling, Va., 5th and 6th.

THE EMERSON MINSTRELS close their season at the Alhambra Theatre, San Francisco, Cal., on May 26th. The company played during the week included Emerson, Milburn, Fayette Welch, Ad Ryman, Harry Stanwood, Sam Rickey, Ainsley Scott, Charles Heywood, Sheridan and Mack, Russell, the baritone, the Reynold Brothers, Holdsworth and Harry Norman. All of these performers will not, however, accompany Emerson upon his eastern tour, as Sheridan and Mack, Rickey, Ryman and Russell have been retained to form a combination with the Simmons & Slocum's Minstrels from Philadelphia, Pa., who commence May 27th. So wrote our correspondent on May 26th.

THE GEORGIA MINSTRELS commence a week's engagement at De Bar's Opera House, St. Louis, Mo., June 3d.

MANNING'S MINSTRELS closed their two weeks' engagement at the Holliday Street Theatre, Baltimore, Md., June 1st. They go hence to Wheeling, Va.

SKIFF & GAYLORD'S MINSTRELS are announced to show at Wilmington, N. C., June 3d and 4th; Newbern, 5th and 6th; Goldsboro, 7th; Portsmouth, 8th; Norfolk, Va., 10th, 11th and 12th; and Richmond, 13th, 14th and 15th.

O. P. SWEET, bass and interrogator, and Dan Nash, tenor, joined M. B. Leavitt's Minstrels at St. John, N. B May 27th. They performed at Fredrickton, N. B., May 28th; Woodstock, 29th; Houlton, Me., 30th; St. Andrews, 31st; St. Stephens, June 1st; and are billed to show at Calais, Me., 3d and 4th; Eastport, 5th; Lubec, 6th; Pembroke, 7th; and Machias, 8th.

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THE SAN FRANCISCO MINSTRELS performed at Newark, N. J., June 1st, to a large house, it being their second visit.

HOOLEY'S closed up their second season in Brooklyn, June 1st, John Hooley having a bumper benefit, May 31st. They started on a traveling tour June 3d, to be gone until the 17th, when they re-open in Brooklyn for a summer season.

CHARLES B. GRISTE, the well-known minstrel agent, is confined to his room in Boston, Mass., with lung fever.

ARLINGTON, Corron & KEMBLE'S Minstrels, Chicago, Ill., are doing a better business than they did last week. Johnson and Powers appeared on May 27th, and being old favorites, were kindly received.....Tom Foley, manager of Manning's Minstrels, arrived in town this week, highly elated with the success the troupe are meeting with. So wrote our correspondent on May 31st.

Circuses.

THE GREAT EASTERN MENAGERIE, MUSEUM AND CIRCUS billed ahead as follows:—Watertown, Wis., June 6th; Columbia, 10th; Portage City, 11th; Sparta, 12th; La Crosse, 13th; Winona, Minn., 14th; Red Wing, 15th; Hasting, 17th; Saint Paul, 18th, and Stillwater, 19th.

G. W. TRASK, formerly an agent of Wilson's Dramatic Company, we are informed, has been doing hotels and railroads by representing himself as the agent of Lent's New York Circus. The contracting agents of Mr. Lent's show are Charles W. Fuller and Tom Brown, and both are gentlemen.

STONE & MURRAY'S CIRCUS performed at Augusta, Me., May 27th; Waldoboro, 28th; Rockland, 29th; Camden, 30th; Belfast, 31st; Bangor, June 1st, and is billed ahead as follows: Bucksport, 3d; Ellsworth, 4th; Cherryfield, 5th; Machias, 6th; Pembroke, 7th; Eastport 8th; Calais, 10th and 11th; thence by boat and railroad for a short trip into the Provinces showing at Fredericton, N. B., 12th, and St. John, 13th, 14th and 15th.

KLECKNER AND CO.'S CIRCUS, MUSEUM AND MENAGERIE is billed ahead as follows:—Wilmington, Del., June 3; Middletown, 4th; Smyrna, 5th; Dover, 6th; Milford, 7th; Seaford, 8th, and Easton, Md., 10th.

VAN AMBURGH AND Co., have recently added to their golden menagerie a troupe of Chinese jugglers, eight in number, who are said to surpass any hitherto in the country. A portion of the animals brought to this country recently by O. J. Ferguson, were shipped by the Erie railroad, on May 28th, to join the menagerie in Canada. A large portion will necessarily be retained until deep water is built for their accommodation and a new tent made to exhibit them in. The menagerie exhibited at St. Mary's, Canada, June 1st.

BACKENSTOSE'S METROPOLITAN CIRCUS is billed to perform at Red Wing, Minn., June 3d, and Lake City, 4th.

THE CENTRAL PARK MENAGERIE is billed to be exhibited at Lockport, N. Y., June 6th.

EAST HAMPTON, Mass., a correspondent informs us, has never been visited by a circus. It has some 4,800 inhabitants.

GEORGE F. GUILFORD joined Dan Rice's Paris Pavilion Circus at Baxter Springs, Kansas, May 22d, as press agent.

THE FOLLOWING circuses are to perform in Chicago, Ill., during the month of June:—Forepaugh's Museum, Menagerie and Circus; the Great Eastern Circus and Menagerie, and L. B. Lent's New York Circus.

QUITE a gathering of circus agents assembled in Chicago, Ill., May 30th. R. A. Dingies, of Forepaugh's Show; John J. Justice, of James Robinson's Circus; Billy Garlow, of James E. Cooper's Circus; Andy Hughes, of the Great Eastern Circus; J. E. Warner, of Warner's Menagerie and Circus; W. W. Durand, of the Great Eastern Circus, and the agents of Dan Rice's and the Conklin Brothers' Show.

DAN RICE'S TEXAN TROUPE AND CIRCUS is reported as doing an excellent business in Vermont, where they have been performing for twenty-five cents admission. The route ahead is as follows:—Richfield, June 6th; Sheldon Creek 7th, and Hakersfield, 8th.

DAN RICE'S PARIS PAVILION is to show at Kansas City, Mo., June 4th, instead of the 13th and 14th, as previously arranged.

THE VICTORELLI FAMILY, gymnasts, who can be addressed care of this office, are at present traveling with Robins and Eastman's Circus.

PROF. ATKINS, aeronaut, attached to Mike Lipman's Circus, made an ascension in a hot air balloon at Decatur, Ala., on May 27th, which resulted in the loss of his life. A large crowd had gathered, and just before the process of inflation had been fully completed, Prof. Atkins expressed great uneasiness as to the safety of the ascension. The circus men, however, only laughed at his apprehensions, and, in a joking way, remarked that he would come down all right. Still he could not dismiss his dark forebodings, and after he had gotten into the basket of the balloon preparatory to its being let off, he remarked to the spectators in a sad tone of voice: "This is the last ascension I'll ever make!" Very soon the balloon was loosed from its moorings and shot up, ascending to the height of about half a mile. It was steadily driven by a current of wind over Decatur, hovered over the Tennessee river, and then descended as rapidly as it had ascended, falling about the middle of the river. Prof. Atkins soon rose to the surface, but having become entangled in the ropes attached to the basket, he succeeded in releasing himself only after a desperate struggle, which, it is supposed, exhausted his strength. He swam heroically toward the shore opposite Decatur, while the balloon floated down stream. A fisherman, who was half a mile away at the time the balloon fell into the river, rowed towards it as fast as possible, to save the daring aeronaut. Not being able to see him after the balloon had struck the water, and believing that he would drown, he turned his boat's head and left the balloon. On nearing it, however, he discovered Prof. Atkins some distance off, and at once tried to row to him, but in vain, for just as he got within about twenty or thirty feet of him, Prof. Atkins, who had himself nearly reached the shore, sank and rose no more. The balloon was recovered some distance below where the aeronaut was drowned. Atkins was about 28 years of age, and came from Toledo, O.

GEORGE F. CLARKE, who makes balloon ascensions in conjunction with C. W. Noyes' Crescent City Circus, in making an ascension at Memphis, Tenn., May 31st, struck against a building, and the ropes supporting a *trapeze*, upon which he was seated, gave way, and he was precipitated to the ground, a distance of some fifty feet, being bruised in a horrible manner. He died the same evening.

"OLD" JOHN ROBINSON'S Show exhibited at Buffalo, N. Y., May 31st and June 1st. The performances were up to the standard, and were witnessed by packed houses. There ronte ahead is:—Batavia, June 3d; Dansville, 4th; Rochester, 5th and 6th; Bath, 7th; Corning, 8th, and Elmira, 10th. So wrote our correspondent, Argyo.

THE SEASON of 1872 and '73 at Trimble's Varieties Theatre, Pittsburgh, Pa., will commence about Aug. 15th, and all persons having business with the theatre after that date are requested to address as per advertisement.

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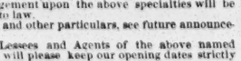

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